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PUBLICITY

A HEADING in our Late Final edition yesterday—"HK Needs More Public Relations Work in America"—stated what we believe is a generally accepted truism. As if to make the point clear this heading appeared under a cable from Washington stating that the United States may impose mandatory controls on our cotton textile imports if they continue to increase.

It should be understood that while the immediate target for public relations work in America, this is a problem which the Colony is likely to find occurring in a number of different parts of the world if industrial output is to be increased and trade promotion intensified. Diversification may initially blunt the edge of some particular type of export, like textiles, but it may also mean that in the long run there will be opposition not just to one but a number of different Hongkong exports.

MAIN difficulty is to determine whose job it should be to defend the Colony abroad. Government would prefer industry to fight its own battles. Industry wants Government to fight them. Or if not to fight them entirely, at least to shoulder a bigger share of the burden than in the past. Government objects to becoming party to any international trade quarrel and the business community feels that unless it does tariff barriers and restrictive policies will severely limit our potential both to expand trade and develop industry.

The impasse may be solved by Government assisting financially either the Federation if and when it comes into being, or the General Chamber of Commerce immediately, who are clearly the most active organization in Hongkong in this field of international public relations.

We agree with Colonel Clague that this is an urgent matter, but it would help Government to make up its mind if the Chamber put up specific proposals for there clearly are facilities available locally which could be employed to make the presentation of Hongkong's case more effective. For example Government could assist in the production of films and pamphlets, but surely industry needs a voice even in this.

WE hesitate to suggest the formation of another committee when Government's present association with the Trade and Industry Advisory Board may provide adequate opportunity for co-operation and liaison. In a recent "Comment" on this same subject we urged that one of the main requirements was for a leading Hongkong businessman to undertake a lecture tour of the U.S., similar to that made by Sir Alexander Grantham when Governor in 1954.

Unfortunately the most eligible candidates are also the busiest. But we hope that this idea will not be overlooked. The man on the spot is always a better person to send on such a tour than a retired man who has been away from the Colony for a few years, and is only partly in touch with latest events. We say public relations is not just important. It is essential. And if Hongkong is going to derive benefit from effective publicity, both Government and local business men will have to give much more time and money to this work in the future.

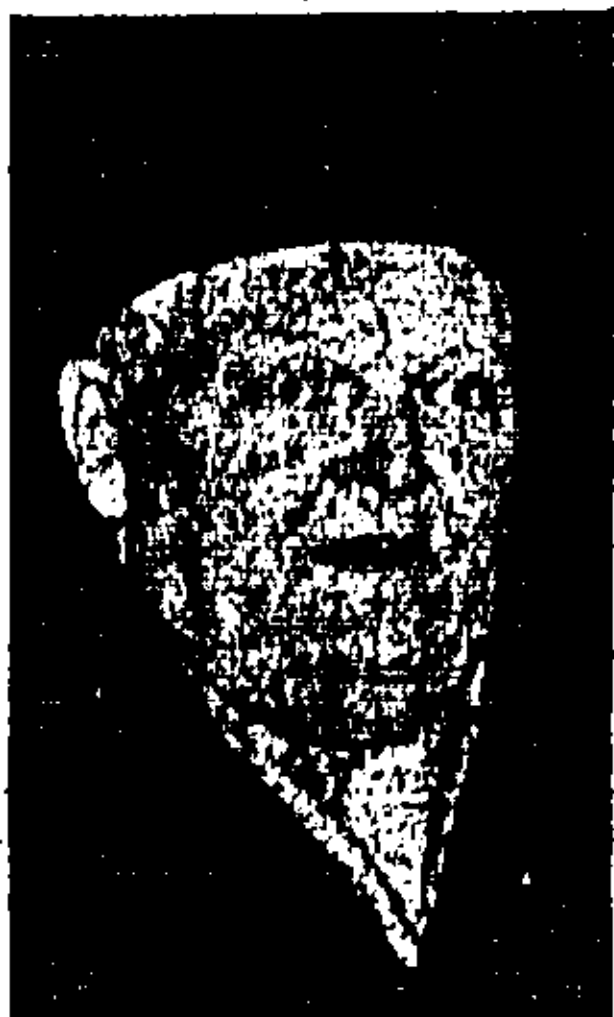
ECONOMICS MINISTER RETURNS TO GERMANY IN FIGHTING MOOD Erhard To Challenge Adenauer

Seeks Showdown On Chancellor's Sudden Decision

Duesseldorf, June 9.

Dr Ludwig Erhard made it clear tonight he would seek a showdown with Dr Konrad Adenauer within the Christian Democratic Party on Adenauer's decision to remain Chancellor.

The chubby Economics Minister appeared in fighting mood as he answered reporters' questions at the airport when he returned from the United States. He said he would not necessarily remain Vice-Chancellor. Asked if he would remain a minister, he replied: "That depends."



LUDWIG ERHARD
He's deeply hurt

This, and an assurance from him that "the last word has not been spoken on the matter," led observers to think Dr Erhard would demand redress from Dr Adenauer for the snub he has suffered.

About-Face

Dr Erhard was the most likely successor as Chancellor before Adenauer's about-face last week, and it is widely believed that the 63-year-old Chancellor changed his mind about standing for the Presidency because he did not want Erhard as his successor.

Dr Erhard told an airport Press conference he wanted a frank debate, about which the public should be informed. The Bundestag (lower house) was not the place for it. The debate, though of public interest, should not be public.

This was seen as confirmation of the belief of the Social Democrats, the main opposition party, that Erhard would not allow himself to be put forward as a successor to Adenauer in a parliamentary vote of no confidence in the Chancellor.

Dr Erhard seemed to political observers to be willing to keep the dispute "within the family," but to want his rehabilitation as "heir" to Adenauer to be made public, known.

Resignation

Falling ill, his words tonight seemed to leave the way open for his resignation, a step which would aggravate the crisis within the Christian Democratic Union and might split the party.

It is clear that Erhard feels deeply hurt about reports that have had wide currency that Dr Adenauer considers him a "bad European." He qualified "lies" reports that he was less determined and clear-headed on foreign policy than Dr Adenauer.

Asked who spread such stories, he said only: "They are about." Dr Adenauer had been widely reported to doubt Dr Erhard's grasp of foreign policy.

But the police were ready. A guard stood at every door of houses with windows overlooking the garden and all other strategic points were sealed off to the photographers.

Police who detained the two photographers, both Portuguese, released them half-an-hour after the Princess left.

Nixon's Moscow Party

Washington, June 9. President Eisenhower has chosen his brother Dr Milton Eisenhower, as one of the five persons to accompany Vice-President Richard Nixon on his visit to the Soviet Union next July. The White House spokesman said today.

Full Pelt For The Finish



Today is the Dragon Boat Festival and the climax of the races that have been held in various parts of the Colony this week. At the Chung Sing

Pavilion this afternoon the Governor, Sir Robert Black, will watch the races and present the pennants to the winners.

The above picture is a fine action shot of a dragon boat going full pelt for the winning line yesterday afternoon. — China Mail Photo (See also P10).

Britain Said Willing To Take Exiled A-Bombers

London, June 10.

Widespread press reports here today assert that Britain is willing to find bases for about 250 United States fighter bombers to be withdrawn from France.

This follows the French refusal to authorise the stockpiling of American atomic weapons on her territory unless she shares control over them. Mr Harold Macmillan, the British Prime Minister, is reported to have discussed the situation yesterday at a 75-minute meeting of the cabinet's defence committee.

NO REQUEST

Further discussion, any newspaper political correspondent is expected at a full cabinet meeting tomorrow.

General Louis Norstad, Supreme Allied Commander in Europe, has not made a formal request yet to Britain to receive fighter-bombers transferred from France.

But, say several newspaper political correspondents, should he do so, Britain will give his request favourable consideration. All the correspondents point out, too, that if the fighter-bombers came to Britain, the British Government would not have a power of veto over their operations. However, they would be under General Norstad's command. The United States Government would be responsible for their actions.

Labour Backbenchers Oppose The Transfer

London, June 9.

A group of almost 50 Labour Members of Parliament introduced a resolution tonight opposing the stockpiling of American nuclear bombs in Britain or their transfer to this country from France.

The resolution said: "That this House, noting the refusal of the French Government to permit nuclear warheads in American custody to be stockpiled in this country and to any transfer to Britain from French territory of American nuclear weapon-carrying aircraft."

Backers of the resolution were mostly so-called "back bench" or left-wing members of the Labour Party and did not include any of the Party's big names. — UPI

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THE TIMES BREAKS ITS SILENCE

London, June 10.

The Times declared in an editorial today that, were it to reprint its controversial report on Mr Selwyn Lloyd "there would not be a word we would alter or withdraw."

The independent daily says this in breaking eight days of editorial silence on the report by its political correspondent which was widely read as forecasting the replacement of the Foreign Secretary.

The Times editorial, entitled "Back to Sense," began: "The nine days are up. Not all the false excitement, fabrications, interesting speculations, and genuine concern can keep the wonder of The Times article on Mr Selwyn Lloyd's future going any longer."

"To read some of the misrepresentations was to doubt whether words any longer had a precise meaning. Even those critics who did not study the article carefully might have been expected at least to read the headlines. 'How Possible Transfer Still Several Months Ahead' could be interpreted as an indication that the Foreign Secretary's usefulness at Geneva was at an end."

Nationalisation of The Times
See Page 3

only the journalists and diplomats in the unreal (and obviously unhealthy) atmosphere there can explain.

"As for the article being hostile to Mr Selwyn Lloyd, its whole tenor was the opposite to being critical or derogatory. 'Both the tone and the terms were appreciative and considerate. It showed the Prime Minister and the Foreign Secretary in a most amiable light.'

"If this was a stab in the back then it must have been the first time anyone has been stabbed with a bouquet. 'Were repetition, not stage stuff and did not today's news need all available space, we would reprint the article so that readers could refresh their memories of what it said, as distinct from what other people have said it said.'

"If we did, there would not be a word we would alter or withdraw." — Reuter.

PESSIMISM PREVAILS IN GENEVA

Geneva, June 9.

The West challenged Russian Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko today to give way on Berlin or go home without a summit or to report "no progress" held little hope for anything but break up of the five-week-old Big Four talks disagreement.

Showdown

"Tonight the impression of the foreign powers is one of pessimism," U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Andrew Berling told newsmen.

Secretary of State Christian Herter and his Western partners called a showdown on the 10th day of talks during a 24-hour session with Gromyko in the Herter dining room.

Delegates were talking openly of a crisis. They felt that unless the 24 hours before tomorrow's open session produced new Kremlin orders from Gromyko, the East-West talks might as well pack up.

"The fact of the matter is that we have had a series of meetings without any progress," said U.S. spokesman Berling, "and if anyone's guess, how much longer the session will last under the circumstances is anybody's guess."

COMET-4 HIT A TREE

Calcutta, June 9.

A Boac Comet-4 jet airliner bound for Britain from Tokyo which overtook the runway at Dum Dum airport near here last night, hit an obstruction, presumably a tree-top, on its first approach, the Corporation said here today. On a later approach the plane, landed with all engines functioning normally, but over-shot the runway by about 100 yards and bogged down in soft ground. A Corporation communication added: "All 44 passengers and crew of 11 were unhurt, and by tonight 37 passengers had continued their journey by different service flights." — Reuter.

Macao Parade

Macao, June 10.

Macao celebrated its 100th anniversary today with a big military parade, at which 1,000 soldiers and 100 cars participated. About 50,000 people lined the streets and watched the parade. Acting Governor Manuel de Almeida said the parade was a success.

"Nationalise The Times" Bill In Commons

London, June 9. The House of Commons gave a formal first reading today to a Labour bill to nationalise the august London Times.

CAPITALISTIC PURCHASES BY BOLSHOI BALLET

Los Angeles, June 9. Somewhere on the Pacific Ocean a Russian freighter is bobbing along loaded with nearly enough capitalist goods to sink it. The merchandise, purchased in Hollywood by the boys and girls of the Bolshoi Ballet, includes such things as slacks, shirts, shoes, pots and pans and the most capitalistic product of all—a plastic swimming pool.

Russia's foremost cultural emissaries were tourists with a capital "T" during their 17-day stay here.

A former student at the Leningrad School of Ballet joined the troupe during its stay here as an interpreter.

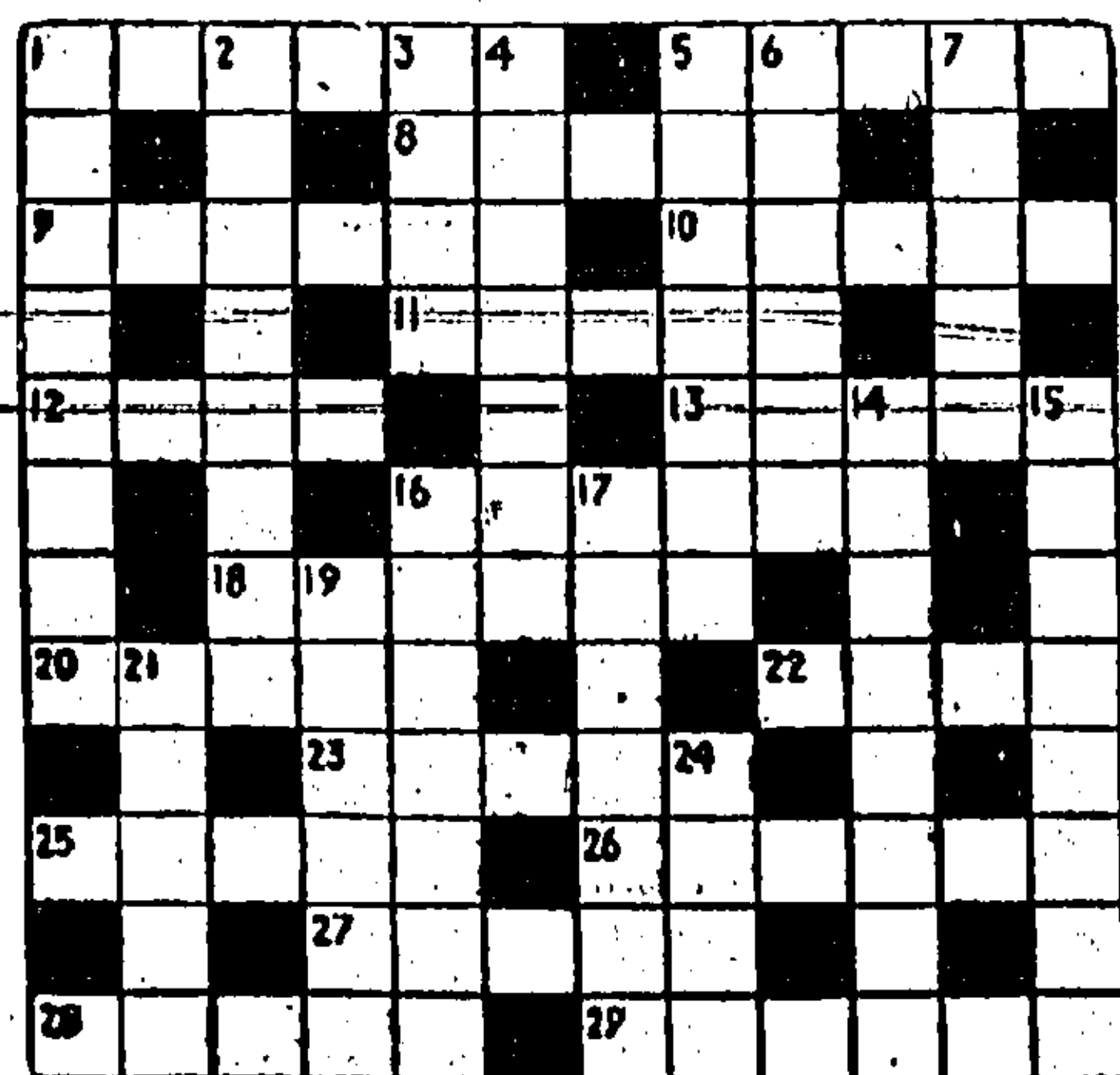
MADE THE ROUNDS
Although they didn't have much time to get out and really shop, said the interpreter, Tatiana Tanya Smirnova, "the boys and girls managed to make the rounds of the stores en route from their hotel to rehearsal."

"One day I was driving a group of them to the studio when Lavrenko, the character actor of the troupe, asked me where he could get a swimming pool—portable type, something for his daughter back in Moscow."

"We pulled off the freeway and went into a store. It took him 10 minutes to buy what he wanted."

Employees at the Hollywood Knickerbocker Hotel, where the Bolshoi troupe lived during their stay here, packed the growing mountain of purchases in the basement until it began to overflow. The most costly purchase of all was a Mercedes-Benz automobile which one troupe member bought from a Hollywood dealer with orders that it be shipped to his home from the factory in Germany.—UPI.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS
1 Tree (6).
5 Deserve (5).
8 Bird (5).
9 Blockheads (6).
10 Trifle (6).
11 Musical note (5).
12 Entrance (4).
13 Stop (5).
14 Affront (6).
15 Redeem at a price (6).
16 Happening (5).
17 Fibber (4).
22 Part of a flower (5).
23 Haggard (5).
24 Pillar (6).
25 Borders (5).
26 Noblemen (6).
29 Unruffled (6).

DOWN
1 Family tree (8).
2 Pierce (6).
3 Coughing sound (4).
4 Gives up office (7).
5 Small portion (7).
6 Hard coating (6).
7 Leaf (5).
14 Pose (5).
15 Fascinate (6).
16 Means (7).
17 Conspire (7).
18 Reply (6).
21 Poetry (5).
24 Be defeated (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3 Scab, 7 Riled, 8 Inch, 9 Full, 10 Decorum, 12 Lamb, 15 Sides, 18 Dime, 19 Frost, 21 Amaze, 22 Tide, 23 Blind, 24 Chief, 25 Emerald, 26 Bine, 31 Pose, 32 Unnail, 33 Tend. Down: 1 Cider, 2 Repose, 4 Chime, 5 Bill, 6 Scum, 9 Rude, 11 Ripse, 13 Avar, 14 Bow, 16 Spine, 17 Tale, 18 Date, 20 Redress, 22 Tumb, 24 Lemon, 25 Clear, 27 Hoof, 28 Fret.

The Bill was introduced by Labour back-bencher Emrys Hughes, one of the wits of the House of Commons, and the House gave it a formal first reading.

"I don't propose to nationalise the Press or in any way limit the freedom of the Press," Mr Hughes said. "This does not affect the other Press at all. This is a bill to give greater freedom to The Times under new management."

Mr Hughes added amid laughter that his purpose was "to revitalise The Times and make it respectable and reliable."

This was a reference to a report published in The Times on June 1 that the Prime Minister, Mr Macmillan, planned to fire the Foreign Secretary, Mr Selwyn Lloyd, after the general elections.

The report touched off a political storm and was denied by Mr Macmillan himself. Mr Hughes charged that The Times failed to report a speech made by Mr Macmillan during his Moscow mission in March and had suppressed other news items recently.

"There is an illusion that The Times is really a national institution," Mr Hughes declared.

"I submit at the present time that The Times is in irresponsible hands and that the time has come when it is a reasonable proposition for this house to take it over, and give it the reputation of the BBC."

Impossible

The fact that Mr Hughes was given permission to introduce his bill does not necessarily mean it will go any further. Only one more day is left before the end of the session in July when private members' bills may be considered.

It would therefore be impossible for Mr Hughes to get the bill through even if he were serious about it.

Mr Hughes said his bill would not affect other newspapers at all, but only The Times "because if the Prime Minister's version is correct, then The Times has been misleading this country and the whole world."

PM "Satisfied"

Earlier, another Labour member, Mr George Wigg, had urged the Prime Minister to reorganise the Foreign Office to ease the Foreign Secretary's burden when engaged in important international negotiations.

Mr Macmillan replied: "I am satisfied that the Foreign Secretary is able to deal both with the work of the conference and with the other matters which are referred to him at Geneva."

Mr Wigg then asked if the Prime Minister would say out loud whether in the past few weeks he had discussed the Foreign Secretary's future and the pressure of work at the Foreign Office either with Mr Lloyd himself or with Sir William Haley, editor of The Times.

Mr Macmillan replied: "That has nothing whatever to do with either of the questions of the order paper."

This was greeted with opposition shouts of "hedging."

Sabotage

Mr Emmanuel Shinwell, former Labour Minister of Defence, asked if the Prime Minister could indicate the possible source of these criticisms of the Foreign Secretary and whether there was any indication of an attempt to sabotage the summit conference by elements in the West German Government or even in the United States.

"Will you make it clear that so far as we are concerned, we want to continue to make every effort to promote a summit conference?" he asked.

Mr Macmillan replied: "Although it does not arise out of these questions, I am grateful for yet another piece of evidence as to the degree of confidence which the whole House and country feels in the Foreign Secretary."—UPI.

Baudouin To Marry Soon?



Princess Maria Theresa.

Brussels, June 9. Rumours that King Baudouin's engagement to Princess Maria Theresa of Bourbon-Parma would be announced next month were reported in a few Belgian-Flemish newspapers here today.

Like similar recent reports, they were flatly denied by sources close to the Royal palace here. The Princess's father is Prince Xavier of Bourbon-Parma, a Carlist claimant to the Spanish throne.—Reuter.

New Appeal

Washington, June 9. Counsel for Charles Starkweather asked the Supreme Court today to grant a stay of execution for the convicted killer of 11 people.—UPI.



Liberace Says He Doesn't Trade On Mother Love

London, June 9.

Liberace, million-dollar-a-year American pianist, denied in court here today that he traded on sex appeal or used mother love, God, the United States' President and Britain's royal family, all in the cause of personal publicity.

He was being cross-examined in his action for libel he has brought against columnist William Connor, "Cassandra" of the Daily Mirror, and his newspaper for comments the

40-year-old pianist said imply he is a homosexual. Mr Gerald Gardner, Queen's Counsel for the defendants, questioned the pianist about the "gimmicks" he uses in his TV act.

Liberace agreed that winking was a standard item and that he let women come on the stage and touch him. Dail Betty Ambler, authoress, script writer and journalist, said that on October 20, 1958, she went to Connor's home to write an article about his pot cat.

The writ in the action had just been issued and when they were alone Connor laughed about it and said it was going to be a bit of fun, that it was a libel for which Liberace would get a lot of money from the Daily Mirror. The libel he said was in the phrase, "He, she or it."

When she asked him why it was written and printed if it was libellous, he said: "They think it will be worth it for a week's publicity, and added: 'I don't know who will look the bigger buffoon in the witness box, he or me.'"

Connor also told her the article could not be defended but the lawyers were seeing everything that had been written about Liberace to see if that line had been taken before.

They could object to the jury, Mr Connor said, because men did not like Liberace and they would make sure there were only men on the jury.

Miss Ambler said she went home, made notes of the conversation and reported it to Liberace.—China Mail Special.

The Famous Smile Fell

About a minute after this picture was taken Liberace's built-in smile turned to a scowl when a newspaperman asked him whether he was "romantically interested" in singer Janet Medlin, 28-year-old widow who is appearing with him in his show in Britain.

With sudden anger he snapped: "That's our business" but almost immediately he relented the smile to add: "I say that very politely of course gentlemen. private matter."

Said Miss Medlin: "I think you can definitely quote me as saying there is no truth in the rumour. I am planning to take the place of Mr Liberace's mother." Picture shows Liberace and Janet at the slightly stormy, two-hour Press conference.—Express Photo.

Dewar Heiress Arrives In New York

New York, June 9.

Polo-playing American millionaire Norman Butler arrived today with Scotch whisky heiress Penelope Dewar and hinted they will be married.

Miss Dewar, beautiful 23-year-old daughter of Lord Forteviot, Chairman of the Dewar Whisky Company, ignored her father's appeal to stay in London.

Butler, 40, said Miss Dewar "will meet my family and after that I believe there will be an announcement by my family and Miss Dewar's family."

The couple made no other comment to newsmen. At first they attempted to avoid photographers following their arrival at New York's Idlewild airport on a tourist flight.

They had been ticketed aboard a luxury flight leaving London today but switched last night to the tourist plane.—UPI.

SONNIE HALE DIES AT 57

London, June 9.

Sonnie Hale, 57, one of Britain's most beloved musical comedy stars, died today 24 hours before his new show was to have opened in London's West End.

Despite Hale's wishes for the show, "The French Mistress," to go on, its producers cancelled tomorrow night's opening performance.

Hale's name spelled the Charleston and some of the most mellow musicals of the 20's and the 30's to London theatregoers.

In "This Year of Grace" he met co-star Jessie Matthews, whom he later married and divorced.—UPI.

Women (ARMED WITH) PITCHFORKS Attack Workers

Naples, June 9.

More than 50 peasant wives wielding pitchforks, stormed into a potato-picking plant near here today and attacked 20 workmen who refused to join a strike.

Hand-to-hand fighting broke out in the building as the angry, shouting women drove the men from their machines, clawed their hair and ripped off some of their clothes.

The women tore open potato sacks with farm implements and tried to wreck machinery. Police arrived in jeeps with whirling sirens and charged with batons at the mass of writhing men and women.

Burly policemen had to carry some of the women out feet first and many workmen and police were treated for scratches and bruises.

One man told the police: "I thought they would tear me to pieces."

When order was restored some of the new workers agreed to join the strike.

Potato Price

The peasants are angry because the private organisation which runs the Neapolitan Vegetable Market has fixed the potato price at seven lire a kilogram after a heavy recent output.

But tonight, after riots for the second consecutive day, the Italian Government stepped in with an offer to buy 100 million lire worth of potatoes from the peasants.

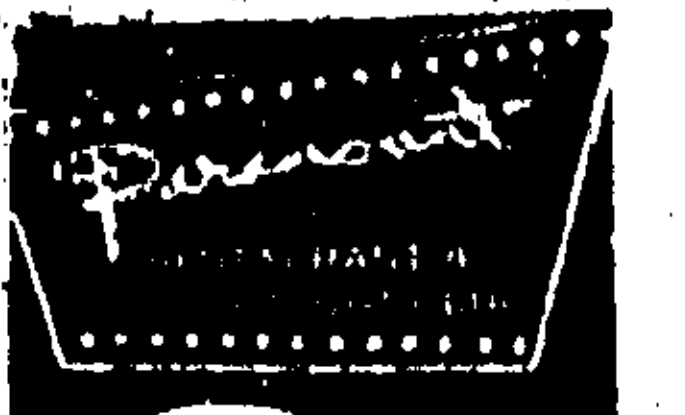
Lorry loads of armed police were sent overnight to the potato-growing villages after 2,000 demonstrators yesterday destroyed the Town Hall at Marigliano.

Today, men worked under police protection to clean up the debris-strewn town. As well as the Town Hall which was gutted, other public buildings were badly damaged in the riot.—Reuter.

Polite Thieves

New York, June 9.

Two thieves invaded the apartment of Miss Mary O'Connor, 20, an airline ticket agent, stole \$70 in cash and \$425 worth of jewellery, and then politely telephoned her boss that she'd be half an hour late for work.—UPI.



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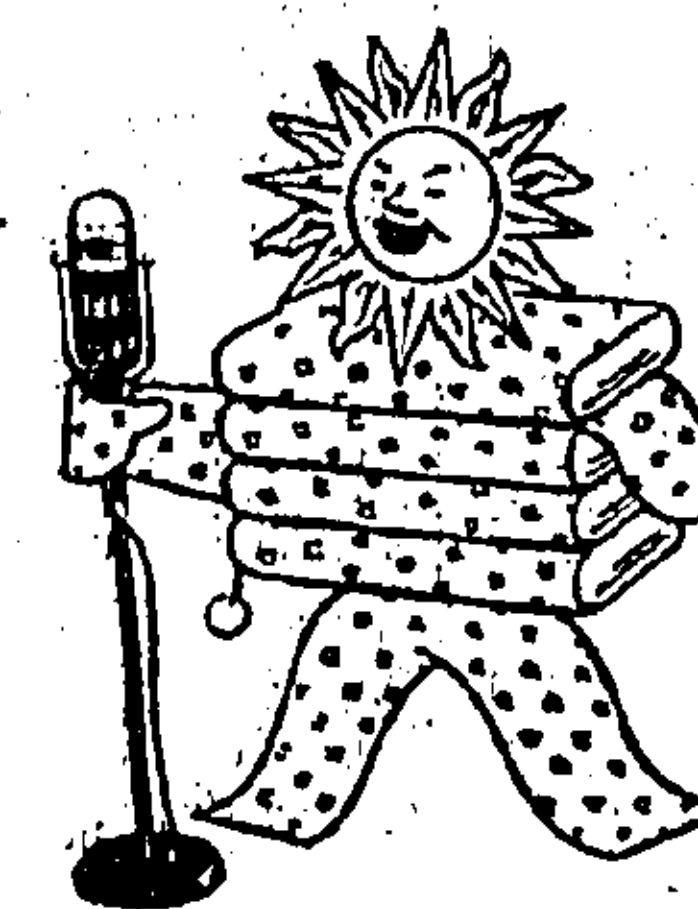
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Five Million Still Suffer From This Ancient Scourge

By FORREST PARK

A NEW treatment has been devised in Britain for a sinister-sounding disease which was rampant all over Europe in the Middle Ages and still claims some five million sufferers throughout the world—mainly in Africa, the Orient, and South America.

The disease is leprosy, scourge of mankind from ancient times—and not, as many imagine, a malady which was always confined to individuals of lowly and degraded status. Persons of exalted rank were attacked by it as well as folk of the humblest station. Kings, perhaps, were specially exposed to the risk of infection, since they were so often brought into contact with crowds of people belonging to all walks of life.

They were the leaders of armies in former days, too, and the incidence of all kinds of illness seemed to gain impetus in prolonged campaigns, frequently striking down more warriors than were ever killed or disabled in actual battles.

One famed king who died of leprosy was Robert, the First of Scotland. ("The Bruce"), who succumbed to the dread affliction in June, 1329. And the Palace of St James's which has long graced the London scene, and was built in 1532 by King Henry the Eighth, was erected on the site of a one-time leper-house where women suffering from the disease had been shut away from their fellow-creatures.

Leprosy died out in most European countries in the 15th and 16th centuries, though in parts of Scandinavia and in Iceland it continued to be quite common until the early part of the present century. It has become a rarity in Europe, and is a rarity over the greater part of North America, though there have been outbreaks in some of the southern states of the U.S.A.

Hygiene

It is now regarded as being principally a tropical or sub-tropical malady, and one affecting peoples whose standard of living and whose ideas of personal hygiene are still backward.

It is not, in fact, as infectious as its sister-disease, tuberculosis, and even for these in close contact with sufferers, it is easy to avoid infection by taking simple precautions such as the wearing of overalls and rubber gloves when dealing with victims, the avoidance of the use of bedding and utensils belonging to victims—and, of course, personal cleanliness.

Leprosy was formerly believed to be incurable (among primitive races it was also believed to be the outcome of having displeased the gods or disregarded some religious injunction). Medical men have

demonstrated in recent times that it is curable, however. It has also been shown that the age-old practice of banishing all lepers from healthy communities, and thus enforcing segregation of the sufferers, was a grievous error. It generally led to concealment of the affliction for as long as possible on the part of victims—and in the case the disease is often infectious for years before it becomes detectable, or, rather, noticeable.

It was also thought at one time that leprosy was hereditary, because often it exhibited itself in one family through successive generations.

Multiplies

Then, in 1872, the bacillus which causes leprosy was discovered—a germ with a waxy covering which renders it slow to multiply, but exceedingly hard to destroy.

Apart from attention to diet in the way of improved nutrition, apart also from cleanliness and healthy exercise, treatment for the disease has for many years involved the use of an oil obtained from species of a tree that grows in southern India and parts of Southeast Asia—the chaulmoogra tree, from the fruit of which hydnocarpus oil is derived.

Injections of this oil or preparations containing it were found to be beneficial. Latterly, synthetic drugs have been employed—such as promin, which is likewise injected, and diurene, which is administered via the mouth.

But progress by such methods of treatment is a slow business, so tenacious is the leprosy bacillus, except when the disease is caught in the early stages.

Hence the importance of the new treatment developed by British researchers, for the advantage of this treatment is that it substantially reduces the time taken in dealing with the leprosy bacillus even in instances where it has gained a strong hold.

The treatment is based on a new drug produced by British chemists. The name of the drug is Ethiol, and from initial reports it seems as if it may go far towards stamping out from the affected areas of the world that cruel infection which was the dread of medieval Europe, and, before it was known there, the scourge of ancient civilisations from north Africa to the furthest shores of Asia.

The London life of people like Mrs. Dmitrieva

YES, MOSCOW MAY BE DRABBER, BUT THEY STILL LONG FOR HOME

by GEORGE HUTCHINSON

AN ornate motor-car—body of basket-work appearance, burnished coach lamps, waiting chauffeur—stands by in Holland Park, Kensington.

Mr Nubar Gulbenkian, owner of this jazzed-up taxi, is visiting one of the nearby houses. Inside, a party is going on.

Mr Gulbenkian—and some 30 other people—have come to take drinks with a member of the Soviet Embassy and his wife.

Exceptional

Is life always like this for the Russian diplomatic colony in London—parties, smart company, sociable encounters with the rich of the Western world? This particular party was quite exceptional.

The most striking thing about the Russians here is that they seldom have anybody in their own homes who is not one of themselves.

They go to each other's houses. They ask people from other Iron Curtain embassies. But, unlike most diplomats in this country, they have little real contact with the British, with London life.

They are, perhaps, the tightest, the most self-contained, community in England. Yes, the Russians are by nature a warm people. In London, I often think, they must find life pretty irksome. The Embassy wives, especially, must seem a lonely place.

Perhaps this may partly explain the break-up between blood-curdling ferocity, witch-hunts wherein incalculable numbers of innocent men and women were savagely tortured or done to death on the merest suspicion of sorcery, or simply because they deviated from the views held by the majority of people.

Black magic, however, has survived in the west, where from time to time the evil cult of Satanism is brought to light and 'coven' of its depraved devotees flushed out from their infamous gathering-places.

Such creatures, of course, are vastly different from the witch-doctors of Africa and of some parts of Asia. Among tribal peoples, the witch doctor is generally regarded as a protector, even if he is also looked upon as a person to be feared. He is often the most intelligent member of a tribe, and plays

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In anything but the most formal of relationships with the British.

The diplomatic list names 57 Russians at the Embassy. There are 50 wives, lots of children. But there are many more besides—indoor servants, chauffeurs, clerks, messengers, wireless operators and teachers. Then there is the Soviet Trade Mission in Highgate.

Most of the families live in furnished flats around Baywater, as the Dmitrievs did—and Notting Hill Gate. From what I have seen I should say that they live comfortably but far less luxuriously than foreign diplomats tend to do in London.

Games? There are PT periods and volley ball in the garden. Except during English lessons, Russian is the only language used in the school.

The Russians even spend their weekend breaks together, taking their leisure collectively. They drive down in their Russian cars to Seccox Heath, their own country house near Hawkhurst, on the border of Kent and Sussex. It was the home of the late Lord Goschen.

It is a big, late-Victorian stone house looking over an undulating park. I found the grounds rather unkempt, the interior dismal—hide sofas, drab curtains, dormitories on the upper floors.

Holidays For long holidays the Russians invariably go home, often by sea in summer, usually by air in winter.

When flying they like to avoid Paris. They dislike the airport arrangements there. They are afraid of losing their luggage in Paris, so they tell me.

—(London Express Service).

Palace For Mr. K MR Khrushchev is to live in the palace that was the childhood home of beautiful Princess Margaretha of Sweden, the girl whose broken romance with piano-playing Mr Robin Douglas-Home aroused world interest. The Soviet leader is going there in August.

For Mr Khrushchev will be returning the official visit of the Swedish Premier to Moscow in 1956.

The Haga Palace is an 18th century building in which Princess Sibylla of Sweden brought up her family of five. The 30-room palace is set in a large English-style park.

Its position makes it easy to keep it under strict guard. During Mr Khrushchev's visit there will be banquets and receptions.

There are also likely to be political talks and a visit by the Russian delegation to agricultural areas in southern Sweden.

—(London Express Service).

Dealers In Magic

By A. ROBERTSON

IT has been claimed that after relying on the practices of witch doctors for countless generations, the native peoples of what used to be called Darkest Africa are at last learning the errors of their ways and are turning to authorised and university-trained medical men for treatment when they are in ill-health.

To some extent, this may be so. Yet, according to recent reports, there is at least one African witch doctor who has not been put out of business by the encroachment of medical procedure as civilisation understands it.

On the contrary, his skills are so much appreciated and so much in demand by his fellow-Africans that he is currently enjoying some of the fruits of the civilisation which scoffs at his ancient profession—as, for example, a big new automobile in which he rides around with the aplomb of a dusky potentate.

Chauffeur

He does not drive himself. He employs a chauffeur—a liveried chauffeur. The income he derives from his extensive circle of African 'patients' is so princely that he is obliged to maintain one or two clerks to keep a check on his mounting fortune. He, personally, is not well up in arithmetic, for he has never had any schooling in the classroom sense of the term and cannot read, write or work out any but the simplest sums.

His talents are confined to witch-doctoring, a trade handed down to him from ages past, for he is the offshoot of a long, long line of spell-binding potion-purveyors.

Folk in lands far removed from the tropical regions of Africa may raise superior eyebrows or curl superior lips at the thought of magic being brought into contact with civilising influences, still being so glibly as to patronise a sorcerer—and, furthermore, pay him with the good money that civilisation has put within their reach as wage-earners in mines, mills or on the plantations.

Incantations

But let no one forget that witchcraft was a potent force right around the world not so very long ago. Indeed, it is practised on every inhabited continent today, and probably in every country. It certainly exists in Europe, not excluding Britain, where nations consider themselves to be as enlightened as any in the world.

Sorcery and magic were features of the earliest civilisations. It is said that numerous elaborate incantations for dealing with maladies and misfortunes have been preserved from Assyrian and Babylonian times, and history tells us that all classes in ancient Greece and Rome believed in magic.

With the coming of Christianity, the practice of witchcraft took on a sinister aspect in Europe. Men of religion associated it with the discredited beliefs and rituals of pagan days, and, ultimately, came to regard it as synonymous with devil-worship.

In the course of centuries, successive witch-hunts broke out all over the western world (and subsequently in America), with hundreds of people persecuted with relentless vigour and

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WOMANSENSE

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10

BORN today, you are a seeker after truth and this characteristic may develop in any of a number of ways. You have marked literary talent and have a gift for the dramatic. Listening to fine music brings you great happiness. You have a sharp sense of humour, which you often utilise in brilliant conversation—or in your writing. You have a magnetic personality and make friends wherever you go.

Naturally, you are spontaneous and outgoing, but you learn, early in life, that sometimes it is better to be more consciously controlled in your actions. But don't make the mistake of becoming too controlled; you will miss a lot of fun in life.

Adventuresome in ideas, you may also express your desire for novelty in real-life exploration.

THURSDAY, JUNE 11

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Love and romance highlight this day for you. It could just possibly be love at first sight!

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—You could run into difficulties this day if you can't get at the facts. Don't depend upon hearsay.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Guard against making an unwise move or you may defeat your best interests and lose ground.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Your best day, this week, so act positively on a number of things. Get a job completed.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—This is a good day for all your efforts. If events of the past week have been handled diplomatically.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Today, you have the "all clear" signal. Setbacks of the past few weeks are over and done with now.

In all events, your originality will display itself in whatever you undertake. You will avoid the conventional way and try something new.

Your emotional nature is strong and you fall in love at first sight. This could be infatuation rather than love. So, before you wed, make sure that your partner is the right one for you or disillusionment and unhappiness might easily ensue.

Among those born on this date are: Mrs. Leslie Carter, actress; Sir Edwin Arnold, poet; Henry Edmund Holland, Australian labour leader; Henry M. Stanley, explorer; Caroline Hazard, educator and president of Wellesley.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Yesterday's distractions should not influence today's actions. Be positive and optimistic.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Should be a good day if you have not complicated your love life! Make an apology, if necessary.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Don't let extravagance lead you down the wrong pathway today. Being conservative is best.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Your good day of the week, so you are well-equipped to avoid any pitfalls. Be practical.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Don't be misled by too optimistic a report on a business matter. Investigate the facts.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—A big new opportunity may open up for you. Don't be hasty in deciding for or against.

JACOBY on BRIDGE

SOUTH bid three spades because he thought his partner was playing a special convention in which you raised your partner's jump shift one of the three top honours. He bid six hearts because he had come to the party to bid.

West opened the three of spades and South saw that he was in an impossible contract unless he could put over a rent swindle. Anyway, he won East's ten with the king, played a trump to dummy's king, led the deuce of diamonds and stuck in the nine.

West won with the king and led another spade. He was sure his partner would ruff it. Instead, South won with dummy.

♥+CARD Sense♦♦

Q—The bidding has been: East South West North 1 A INT. Pass 2 N.T. Pass

Q—You, South, hold: ♠K 5 ♥A 10 8 5 ♦K Q 8 3 ♣K 9 2

Q—What do you do? **A**—Bid three no-trump. You only have 16 points but you do have two spade stoppers and no one likes to play two no-trump anyway.

TODAY'S QUESTION This time West has opened one spade and North and East have passed. It is up to you, South. You hold: ♠Q 9 8 5 ♥K 2 ♦K 8 3 ♣J 9 2

Q—What do you do? **A**—Pass. Tomorrow

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♥A K 10 3	
♦J 10 8 2	
♣7	
EAST	
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♦A 10 5 3	
♣Q 4 2	
SOUTH (D)	
♠K	
♥Q J 8 6	
♦Q 7 4	
♣A K 10 5	
Both vulnerable	
South	West
1 ♠	Pass
2 ♠	Pass
3 ♠	Pass
4 ♠	Pass
Opening lead—♠4	

my's nine and discarded a diamond. A trump to the jack and another back to dummy's ace and South was ready for the next step in bringing home the slightly tainted bacon.

He discarded his last two diamonds on the ace and queen of spades and led the jack of diamonds from dummy.

East ducked but it did him no good. South knew where that ace of diamonds was and discarded a low club. The jack of diamonds held and now South was able to spread his hand and shake up his richly undeserved slam.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Yoo-hoo! Please don't push off yet—I need your boat in my right-hand corner!"

FASHION NEWS-FOCUS

... BEHIND THE SCENES OF THAT CONTROVERSIAL WEDDING

PAOLA'S TROUSSEAU -the first glimpse

BY BARBARA GRIGGS

THE princess in the headlines has picked her trousseau... Paola Ruffo di Calabria, the Italian beauty whose proposed Vatican wedding on July 1 to Prince Albert of Belgium has sparked off that row about time and place, has been concentrating on a bride's more urgent problems.

And, since the wedding was originally scheduled for late summer, she has had to work fast.

Now I'm giving away the secret of what those royal suitcases will contain when the happy pair set off honeymooning.

Giving Paris a miss, and sidestepping Rome and Florence, Princess Paola has handed the job over to two famous couturiers in Turin. Both are women—possibly the princess felt that they would know better than a man the sort of clothes a bride wants to wear on her honeymoon.

Their names are Pina Vachetta and Vitalina Nebbia. Between them, these two clever

women have dreamed up for her the prettiest, most elegant and most practical trousseau—I have ever seen.

You could pack the lot into two large suitcases. And since the fabrics are mostly silk, silk crepe, or silk and wool, they will emerge in good order—important point for honeymooners.

It's a versatile trousseau, ranging from an obvious hot-weather choice like the sleeveless pleated dress in azalea pink silk, to a suit you could wear on a cool day in London made of deep grey tweed.

It gives the inquisitive no clues about honeymoon destinations—but it makes sure that the Princess won't make the mistake of many honeymooners and come back shivering from the Mediterranean in a tweed coat over a cotton dress.

There isn't a thing in her trousseau I wouldn't love myself—pretty, undressy, unfussy

clothes every one of them, that any woman would rejoice to wear... particularly, perhaps, the two short-waist dresses in widely pleated silk, one sleeveless and pink, the other perma-violet with sleeves.

SIMPLICITY

All the clothes, with their extreme simplicity and elegance, and slim easy lines, have been designed to play up the Princess' tall, good figure.

Their colours—a sweet-pea variety with plenty of blues, pinks and violets—show off her clear skin and blue eyes.

And, finally—important point for a Princess, who is decidedly aristocratic but certainly not wealthy—most of the clothes

are timeless, all—the-year-rounders that won't date back conspicuously to July 1959.

The Princess has got her eye well in when it comes to clothes. And to sturdy Belgian women, customarily well but unexcitingly dressed, I predict she will come as an exciting sensation.

And the Dress itself—that fabulous, dreamlike vision of frosty white she will wear for her wedding? All I can tell you is that it is being made in Italy (though the French have been hopelessly rumouring that it was to be a Dior-St. Laurent job).

The rest is Princess Paola's secret—until July 1.

(London Express Service).



DRAWING BY FRANCIS MARSHALL

For cocktail-time: a drifting dress in aquamarine organdie, full-skirted, closely swathed at the waist, with a light cape-top.

THE CHAPERON SYSTEM

By SHIRLEY LOWE

THE doctor from Love Lane, who is advocating the come-back of the chaperon, seems to me to know little about love, and even less about young girls.

Chaperonage, according to Dr. Robert Thompson, of Love Lane, Plinney, helps to protect young girls until they reach the age of "wisdom and understanding."

He added that it also served as a warning to boys and girls that sex matters were matters of extreme delicacy and importance, and that until they reached the years of discretion they were not to be trusted to know how to deal with them.

WISDOM

IF that is the argument in favour of chaperonage, there are a great many grown-up boys and girls of 40 and 50 who should still be locked up with mother.

And a great many teenagers to be found in cinemas and

dance halls (haunts of temptation, according to the doctor), who are capable of handling their lives and loves far more intelligently than their parents did.

And certainly with more wisdom and understanding than the chaperoned Continental girls he so admires.

RICHES

THE trouble, of course, is that the only families who still stick to the chaperon system all have one thing in common.

They are very, very rich. Their daughters are born to do nothing but marry a very, very rich man from the family of their choice.

They give their daughters a handsome allowance, they buy her everything.

They even buy her husband.

This system works successfully for the privileged few, but I doubt if it would be quite such a good idea to put your daughter under lock and key in the evening, and send her out to the lying pool in the daytime.

And who is going to do the chaperoning?

While Janet is at the jazz club will mum be sitting on the sidelines instead of watching the telly with father?

BLISS

YOU can't wrap up a child in day-dreams and delirium, then turn her to the wolves at 21 and expect her to be discreet. You can't watch her and worry over her without giving her a clue about what you are watching for and what you are worrying about, and then her curiosity will see to it that your worst fears are realised.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Knarf Watches A Clock

—And Finds That Time Passes Swiftly—

By MAX TRELL

I WONDER if you'd mind taking my place for just an hour. I'll surely be back by exactly twelve o'clock."

It was Mrs Cuckoo who said these words to Knarf, the Shadow Boy.

She had opened the door of the cottage-in-the-clock where she lived to call out eleven o'clock. Then, without letting the door shut behind her, she had flown over to Knarf, who was getting ready to go to sleep in the far corner of the room between the curtain and the bookcase.

"I'll be glad to take your place in the cuckoo clock," said Knarf. "Only what do I have to do while you're away?"

"Just one thing," said Mrs Cuckoo. "Just make sure that the clock keeps going."

"I hope I can do that," said Knarf, sounding a little worried, for he was far from being sure that he knew enough about clocks to keep them going. If they took it in their minds to stop.

Mrs Cuckoo assured Knarf that there was nothing to worry about.

In Good Order

"The clock's just been wound," she said. "All the wheels are turning. There isn't any reason in the world why you should have trouble. I'll just go for a quick visit to my cousin who lives in a clock on the other side of the river."

While Mrs Cuckoo flew out through the window to visit her cousin who lived in the clock on the other side of the river, Knarf stood on a chair and hoisted himself up to the half-open door of the cottage-in-the-clock. He then went inside and unthinkingly shut the door.

It was like being in a lovely, square, comfortable, country kitchen.

There were pots and pans, all bright and shiny, hanging from hooks over the old-fashioned oven. Red and white checked gingham curtains hung in the windows. A tea kettle was

whistling on the stove and tiny roses were blooming in red flower pots.

Gets Comfortable

Knarf sat himself down in a comfortable rocking chair. He found a book of pictures on a shelf and slowly turned the pages as he listened to the ticking and tocking of the clock.

And what a ticking and tocking it was! It filled the whole room. The sound was so loud that Knarf finally gave up trying to look at his book.

He walked across the room to something that looked like a cellar door.

The Works

The ticking and tocking came from the other side of the door. Knarf was just about to open the door and look inside when he noticed a small sign which read: The Works.

There was an even more curious thing hanging on the door. It was a clock. Knarf looked at it and thought to himself: "This must be the key that Mrs Cuckoo uses when she winds the clock."

Curious to see what was behind the door, Knarf carefully opened it and peeped inside. He



Inside, Knarf saw all the wheels and springs.

saw a narrow staircase leading down. He crept down a step or two and looked again. There he saw, almost hidden in the darkness, a great collection of wheels and springs and cogs and gears. "I don't know what I'll do if they ever stop turning," Knarf said to himself.

Fortunately the clock kept right on going. In fact, Knarf was still watching The Works working when someone tapped him on the shoulder and said: "Thank you, Knarf!"

Knarf looked around. It was Mrs Cuckoo. The hour had passed and she was back just in time to call out twelve o'clock.

Rupert and the Truant—29



Rupert is now too interested in the doll to risk losing sight of it. "Hi, come back!" he shouts. "Where are you going? Playing truant is wrong! You must belong to everybody!" The other kids lead him a merry dance, and doesn't stop until reaching the highest part



of the common. "This is the spot where I ran away from Santa Claus. When will he come back?" "Don't be silly!" says Rupert sinking down breathlessly. "Christmas is all over. Santa Claus won't be back for nearly a year!" ALL RIGHTS RESERVED

Enchanting LINGERIE

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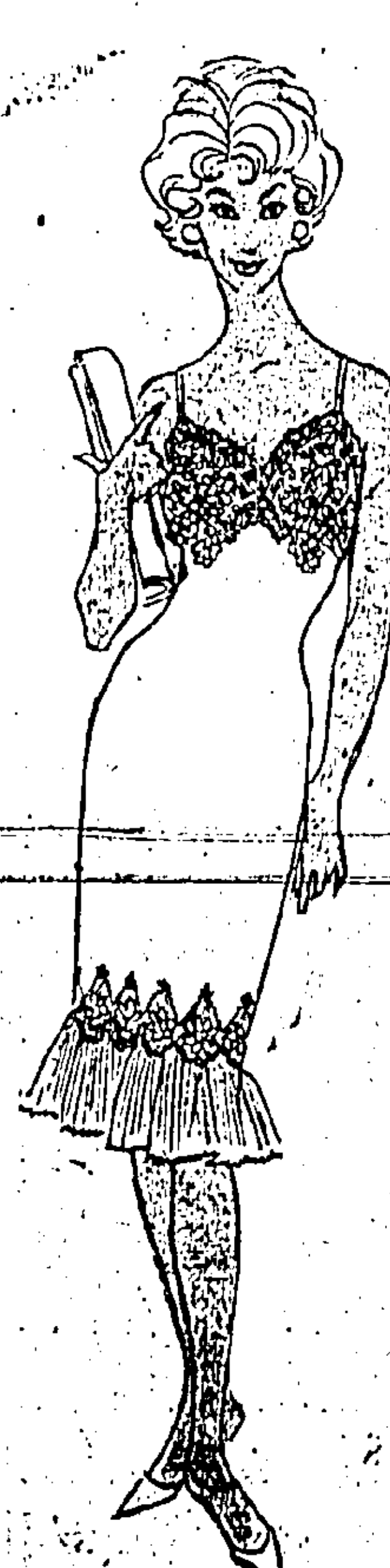
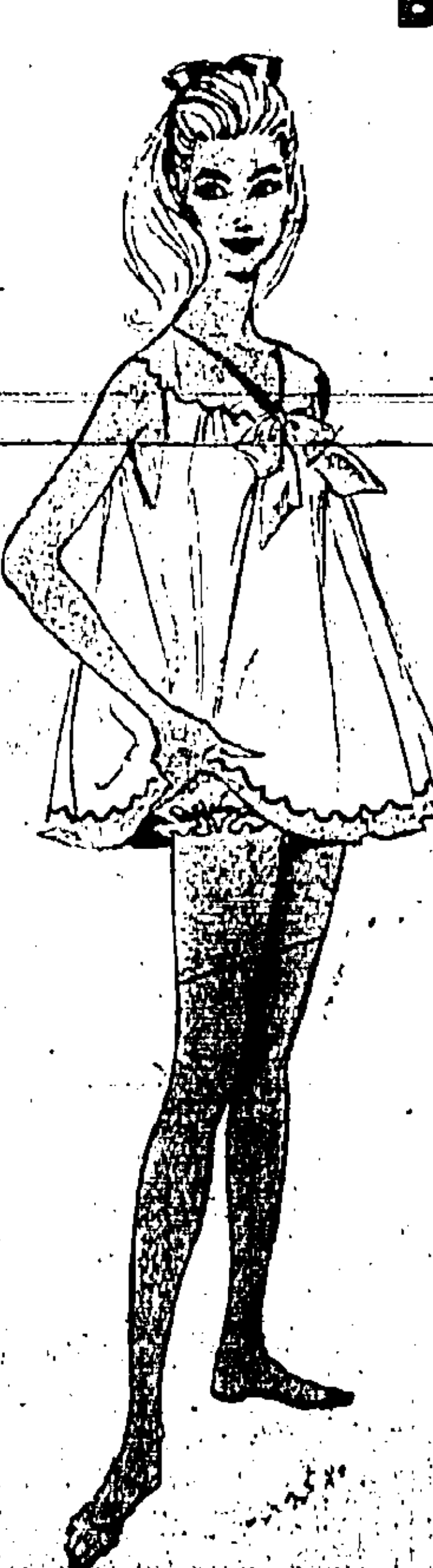
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U.S. STATE DEPARTMENT FLAYS I.O.C.

New Refusal To Admit 'Nationalist Chinese' Absurd And Repugnant

Washington, June 9. The United States State Department today branded the new refusal of the International Olympic Committee to admit the Nationalist Chinese representatives to the Olympic body as absurd and repugnant.

The Department hinted that the Olympic Committee's continued refusal may affect the United States' welcome to world athletes at the winter Games scheduled in Squaw Valley, California.

Departmental press officer Lincoln White read to newsmen a statement accusing Olympic Committee Chancellor Otto Mayer of building a smoke screen in the battle of semantics over the Chinese representation.

Rejected

Mayer yesterday rejected the Nationalist Chinese application because the Chinese group continued to include the name "China" in its official title, "The Olympic Committee of the Republic of China."

The IOC has said it has no objection to the Chinese Nationalist representation, just so long as they don't call themselves Chinese.

White said the name was entirely appropriate. He noted that the Chinese Nationalists are recognized officially by 45 free world nations.

The Chinese Communists representatives left the committee a year ago in protest to the continued presence of the Nationalist Chinese.

'Smoke Screen'

Today White said "This talk of names is nothing but a smoke screen. The International Olympic Committee has allowed a political issue to be made of the membership of an Olympic Committee in good standing which has been a member of the Committee for many years. This is a political, not an athletic issue."

White repeated an earlier Olympic Committee action was taken under pressure by Communist countries which he said are systematically trying to exclude Free China from representation in international organizations of all kinds.

"It is on this basis," White said, "that the Department has expressed, and is expressing, its repugnance for the action."

Asked whether the Olympic Committee's action would have any effect on U.S. willingness to sponsor the winter Games in California, White replied, "I just don't know, but the future action of the Committee with respect to Nationalist China will, of course, be followed closely."—UPI.

ANOTHER HUTTON

Will another Hutton be playing for England in a few years' time?

Playing against an MCC team, a Boston schoolboy has recently hit 61 runs. His name: Richard Hutton, 10-year-old son of Sir Len.

Richard, who follows his father as an opening batsman, has an average of 29 for his school this summer. Yet he has never been coached by his father, a former England captain.

Says Sir Len: "I don't believe in concentrated coaching. You can teach kids so much that they don't know where they are."

He is naturally pleased at his elder son's progress, but believes the boy has a long way to go before reaching county standard. — London Express Service.

Sports Diary

TODAY

Tennis: "A" Division: SCAA (3) v CRC (2); IBC v CCG (1); PORG v Urban Council; CRC (1) v KRICA; KRCCA v PRC; CCG (3) v KRCCA; KRCCA v IBC.

Mixed "A" Division: LRC v KCC; SCAA v CCG.

TO-MORROW
Tennis: "A" Division: KRCCA (1) v Urban Council; LRC v PORG; PORG v KRCCA; KRCCA (1) v CCG (1); "B" Division: CCG v CRC; KRCCA v PRC; PRC v KRCCA; KRCCA v SCAA.

Eddie Machen Fails In Court Case Against Johansson

TITLE-FIGHT CONTRACTS SIGNED

New York, June 9. The Patterson-Johansson world title-fight contracts were signed by the two heavyweight boxers at the New York Boxing Commission's premises immediately after news came through that Machen's claim had been rejected by the Federal judge.

Judge Irving Kaufmann gave it as his opinion that the covenant for a return match between Johansson and Machen was not intended to run beyond February 14, 1959, and if it was intended to extend beyond that time the agreement was unreasonable and too broad in scope.

Patterson, Johansson and American promoter Bill Rosenzweig expressed satisfaction but did not appear to be at all surprised when they were informed of the judge's verdict on the Machen-Johansson case at the New York Boxing Commission's offices.

Told The Truth

The Swedish boxer said he had always told the truth and that the judge's decision had therefore not surprised him at all. He added that he knew the affair could not end up otherwise. Patterson merely said he was very happy to hear the news of the judge's verdict.

Young promoter Rosenzweig, who has sweated blood for months to get the world heavyweight title bout between Johansson and Patterson organized, sighed with relief at the news and said everything's all right now.

Satisfied

After the news of the verdict was telephoned through to the New York Boxing Commission's offices the contracts for the June 25 title bout were officially signed and the two boxers immediately left the sitting hall of New York for their respective training camps in the country. The temperature in New York reached 87 degrees Fahrenheit today.

Both Johansson and Patterson were wearing open-necked shirts. The two boxers said they were satisfied with the decision. Johansson receives a \$100,000 or 20 per cent of the total takings, while Patterson receives 30 per cent of the gate money plus 50 per cent of all television, radio and film rights. — AFP.

Moss To Drive Aston-Martin At Le Mans

Le Mans, June 9. Stirling Moss, the crack British race driver who last Sunday won the Nurburgring 1,000 kilometres sports cars race in Germany at the wheel of an Aston-Martin, will be driving an Aston-Martin with compatriot Roy Salvadori as co-driver in this year's Le Mans 24 hours race, it was announced here tonight.

Aston Martin will have two other cars in the race, one driven by the French-Belgian team of Maurice Trintignant and Paul Frere. — AFP.

Javelin World Record

Compton, California, June 9. American athlete, Castello's world record-breaking javelin throw of 80.44 metres (262 ft 2 in), made here last Friday, is to be submitted for confirmation as a new world record.

Castello today completed a detailed examination of the field and verified the weight of Castello's javelin. — AFP.



END OF A CAPTAIN'S INNINGS

Peter May, the England skipper, is out to a catch behind the wicket after scoring 100 in the first Test match between India and England at Trent Bridge, last week. May's score helped England to pile up a first innings total of 422 runs and win the match by an innings and 59 runs.



Rain Curtails Play In Major Tennis Tournaments

London, June 9. Rain curtailed play in both of the major current English tennis tournaments today. A number of matches in the Kent championships at Beckenham and in the West of England championships at Bristol had to be postponed.

These two pre-Wimbledon preparation tournaments have attracted a number of international stars, including Russian players and the world's unofficial number one amateur player — Alex Onieff of Peru, who is playing for the United States. The Danes have split forces. Kurt Nielsen is playing at Beckenham, and his compatriot Torben Ulrich at Bristol.

EFFORTLESS WIN

Onieff scored an effortless win over Dennis Glover of South Africa and Nielsen had little trouble in beating Phillip Moore of Australia in second round matches at Beckenham.

Ulrich, however, had a tough fight before overcoming Indian outsider A. All in Bristol. The Indian put up a good fight, leaving the Dane to drop a set before winning. — AFP.

English County Cricket FINE BOWLING SPELL BY WARR TAKES MIDDLESEX TO TOP OF LEAGUE TABLE

London, June 9. John Warr, the Middlesex captain, had a fine spell of race bowling against Leicestershire at Lord's today to take his side to the top of the County Cricket Championship table to join the previous leaders, Essex.

The 32-year-old Warr took five wickets for 26 in the second innings to finish with match figures of nine for 72 in helping Middlesex beat Leicestershire by an innings and 73 runs and gain maximum points.

Between showers and thunderstorms Middlesex bowled out Leicestershire for 87 runs in their second innings. The Middlesex county bowling their last nine wickets for 66.

Surrey Robbed

Sweeping rain robbed Surrey, the champions, of almost certain victory over Essex at Romford. Surrey, set to get 140 for victory, were only 12 runs short with three wickets standing when rain ended play. Essex thus maintained their unbeaten record.

Essex and Middlesex head the table each with 70 points. They have a lead of 14 points over nearest rivals Hampshire and Warwickshire who have played eight and nine games respectively.

Surrey must take some of the blame for failing to win. They had over three hours to get the 140, but their batsmen showed little urgency. Mike Stewart took nearly two and a half hours for his 52.

It was a different story at Birmingham where "quick" scoring resulted in Warwickshire beating Somerset by six wickets to gain 12 points. Warwickshire were left to score 202 to win at about 99 an hour and they responded magnificently with Tom Cartwright hitting 101 not out in 105 minutes, one six and 12 fours.

Two sporting decisions set the stage for an exciting day's cricket at Cardiff where Glamorgan beat Northamptonshire by five wickets with only six minutes of extra time remaining. Glamorgan had to get 231 to win at 72 runs an hour

and they were always well up with the clock.

An unbeaten seventh wicket stand of 82 by Cyril Washbrook (47) and Jack Dyson (34) pulled Lancashire out of a tricky position after six wickets had fallen for 50 in their drawn match with Gloucestershire.

Results

Following are the results of English cricket matches:

At Cardiff: Glamorgan beat Northamptonshire by five wickets. Northamptonshire 243 for eight declared and secondly 98 for five declared (D. Brooks 40 not out). Glamorgan 111 for four declared and secondly 231 for five (W. Parkhouse 70, J. Pressdell 42, P. Walker 57 not out). Glamorgan 12 points, Northamptonshire four points.

At Birmingham: Warwickshire beat Somerset by six wickets. Somerset 297 and secondly 113 for seven declared (C. McCoil 52). Warwickshire 149 for six for four (W. Stewart 50, M. Smith 50, T. Cartwright 101 not out). Warwickshire 12 points, Somerset two points.

At Manchester: Match drawn. Lancashire 273 and secondly 132 for six (C. Washbrook 47 not out). Gloucestershire 243 and secondly 101 for five.

At Worcester: Match drawn. Worcestershire 350 for nine declared and secondly 177 for three (D. Kenyon 77, D. Richardson 50 not out). Nottingham 300 (C. Poole 66, J. Springall 70). Worcestershire four points.

At Sheffield: Match drawn. Yorkshire 232 and 248 for two (W. Stott 51, P. Sarge 73, B. Close 62 not out). Derbyshire 228 (D. Carr 68, R. Platt 56 for 72).

At Oxford: Match drawn. Oxford University 400 for four declared and secondly 233 for nine declared (A. Durr 40, A. Allam five for 79). Free

Forresters 271 and secondly 250 for six (S. Metcalfe 133 not out).

At Romford: Match drawn. Essex 108 and secondly 213 (P. Leader five for 62). Surrey 170 and secondly 134 for seven (M. Stewart 52). — Reuter.

Worst Golf Moments

The Time Jones Blew Up

By JOHN INGHAM

The greatest golfer of them all, Bobby Jones, had his worst moment at St. Andrews, Scotland. It cost him no title, but for the man who won every big golf championship in one fantastic season, the experience proved almost unbearable.

Jones, sitting in the Royal and Ancient clubhouse, told me about it. The date: 1930. The occasion: His last game in Britain.

"We arrived at St. Andrews for 'private' tournament over the Old course," recalled Jones. "To my astonishment there were 2,000 people waiting to watch the game."

How did the great man react? "I played the first nine holes in 32 strokes. The people inspired me, I just had to play well."

Then came disaster. With the crowd now doubled, Bobby Jones shocked his admirers. "It happened at the 11th hole I took two in a bunker. Guess I kind of blew up from there on in. All those people wanting me to play well, I just realised I was human. I was bitterly disappointed."

SUMMER SOFTBALL LEAGUE Cheyennes 'Bees' Lucky To Win Opening Game

By OLLY VAS

The opening game of the 1959 Summer Softball league played off at King's Park on Monday can best be described as one of "fluctuating fortunes" for if ever a team can consider itself fortunate to emerge at the right end of the score it was the Cheyennes "Bees."

They edged out the ostensibly weaker Cheyenne Juniors by 8-7.

The game almost went into extra time for in the final inning the losers almost tied it up but luck was not with them. With the bases loaded the "Bees" pitcher, Dave Vieri struck out the batter at the plate to end it all.

Early Lead

The winners bunched together two hits and as many errors to jump into an early 3-0 lead right from the moment plate umpire Pang called out "Play ball," but the Juniors fought back to lower the margin to 3-2.

Stephen Garcia stole home and then Frankie Munz banged out a single to get on base. Laney, hurler Henry Vienna pushed Munz over the plate with a hit to centerfield before the side was retired.

There was no scoring in the second frame.

In the third each side notched up a run apiece for the score-board to read 4-3 in favour of the "Bees."

A fumble by the outfield enabled Johnny Chaves to score from third base to increase his team's lead to 5-3 while the Juniors failed to add to their score.

A Surprise

In the fifth inning the "Bees" added another run to make it 6-3 but the opposition then sprang a surprise on them by registering the tying runs.

The duo of Garcia and Munz again came to the rescue, this time with successive singles, the latter himself tallying the sixth and tying run on an outfield error that enabled him to round the bases.

Carlos Azevedo's double highlighted the sixth inning as his hit put the "Bees" in the lead 7-6. Namesake Johnny Azevedo then singled to push Vienna over the plate for the eighth run and Carlos in his anxiety to make it a double-figure game was "nailed" at home plate on a run-down play. The relay from the outfield to pitcher, to catcher got there before he did.

Rallied Strongly

In their last turn at bat, in the bottom half of the seventh inning and trailing by two runs, the Juniors rallied strongly. With one down Munz tallied his side's seventh run to make it 7-8 and when Vienna banged out a double there were prospects of an upset.

A walk followed and now there were two runners on base. The next batter struck out and then Luis Silva hit safely. Situation? Bases loaded, two down, winning run on second base.

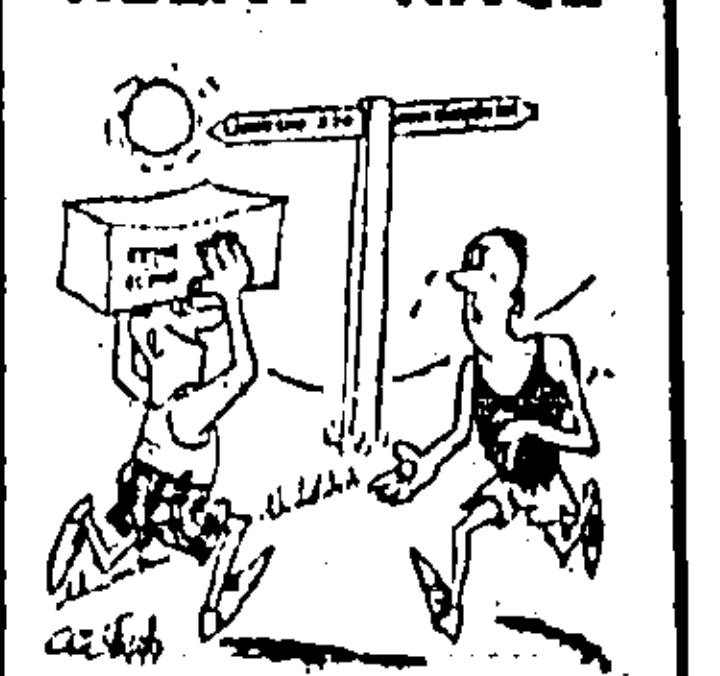
The last man up had a full count, but looked over a third strike and robbed me of a chance to tell you how dramatic it could have turned out to be. Congratulations go to the Juniors for a fine display.

Driver Dies From Race Injuries

Adenau, Germany, June 9. Swiss driver Fausto Meyrat died in hospital here today as a result of injuries he suffered in a crash during last Sunday's 1,000 kilometres sports cars international automobile race on the Nurburgring circuit.

Meyrat slid off the track in the 25th lap of the race and it was at first believed that his injuries were only superficial. — AFP.

TWO MORE FOR WORLD'S LONGEST RELAY RACE



TWO more university teams will attempt the non-stop road running relay between Land's End and John O'Groats — the longest in the world.

The universities of Bristol and Exeter, who had challenged each other over the 870-mile course, now see this race as part of the bid to beat Oxford's pioneer run of 105½ hours in 1957.

Cambridge and Birmingham already have announced their plans and the Peblee Relay season — the teams carry a pebble taken from the shore from one end of Britain to the other — is now in full swing. The schedule is:

Exeter. (June 19/20, from Land's End to John O'Groats).

Cambridge. (June 23, from John O'Groats to Land's End).

Birmingham. (July 14, from Land's End to John O'Groats).

Bristol. (August 24, from John O'Groats to Land's End).

BEATEN BY SNOW

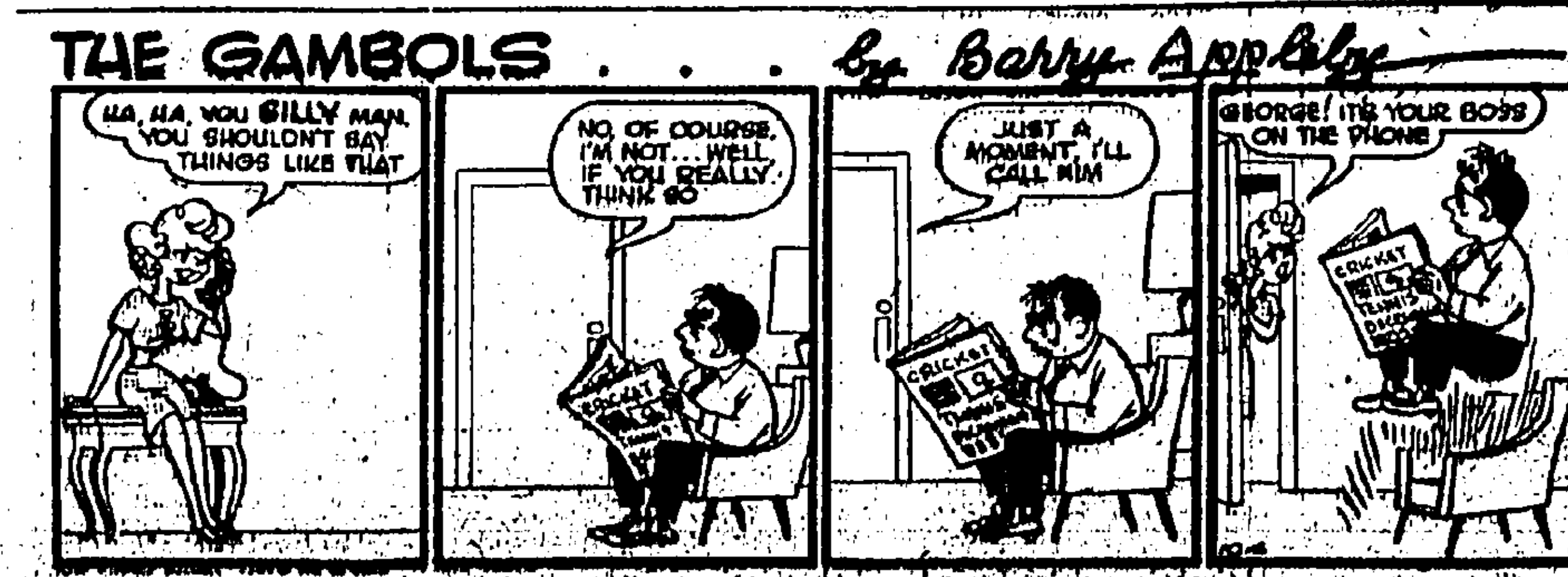
Exeter crosses country runners are upstaged over their own hill country since 1956. Bristol twice ran to Newcastle and back, falling the first time only because they were caught in a blizzard over the Pennines in winter.

Who will run the quickest? Is 90 hours possible? The Sunday Dispatch is giving these attempts financial support provided the conditions observed by Oxford's first run are followed — eight-man teams and continuous running night and day.

CHESS NEWS

by LEONARD BARDEN

Solution No. 5827: 1 R x R2 ch! PxR; 2 Q x R ch! Q x Q (other moves also lose); 3 B-B6 ch! RxR; 4 R-B6 mate.



SPORTS PICTORIAL



A dragon boat race, which is usually held today, to mark the 5th day of the 5th Chinese moon, was held in advance at Stanley last Sunday. Among the large crowd present was the Hon J. C. McDouall, Secretary of Chinese Affairs. Photo shows the three boats which took part—those representing the Stanley Sea and Land Citizens Association (who were eventual winners), the Woo Tso Tung from Aberdeen and the Ton Hong Tong from Luk Chau.—China Mail photo.



ABOVE: Two Indian victims of England fast bowler Freddie Trueman in the first innings of India's first Test match between England and India at Trent Bridge. On left, Roy's leg stump went flying after he had scored 54 and on right Umrigar, one of India's recognised batsmen was also clean bowled after scoring 21. England won the Test by an innings and 59 runs.—Central Press photos.



China won the International Soccer Cup last week when they narrowly beat Great Britain by 5-4 at the Club Stadium in the annual International Charity match.

Upper photo shows Dr the Hon. A. M. Rodrigues, (centre), Vice-President of the Hongkong Football Association presenting the International Cup to Ho Cheung-yau, captain of the China team. Assisting is Mr R. M. Omar the HKFA Secretary.

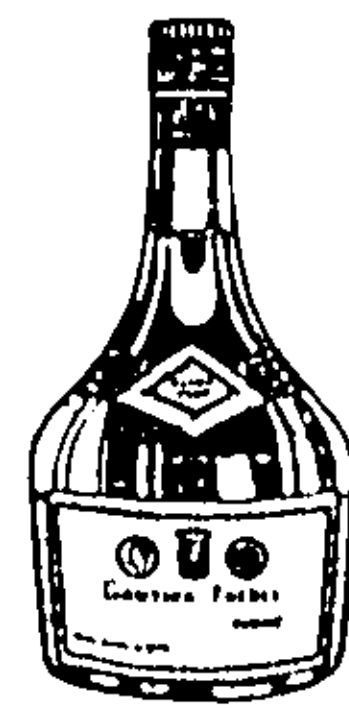
Lower photo shows an interesting array of expressions and postures during an exciting scramble for the ball in the match. Nearest to the ball is Great Britain goalkeeper Stewart (on the ground).—China Mail photos.



Parthia, with jockey Harry Carr up, is led in by his owner, Sir Humphrey De Trafford, after winning the Derby at Epsom last Wednesday from Fidalgo. The French entry Shantung was third.—Reuterphoto.



Mr Birt Hope, Vice-President of the St Francis Xavier College Alumni Association, presenting the prizes at the conclusion of a successful sports meeting held by the College at their sports ground last Saturday. — China Mail photo.

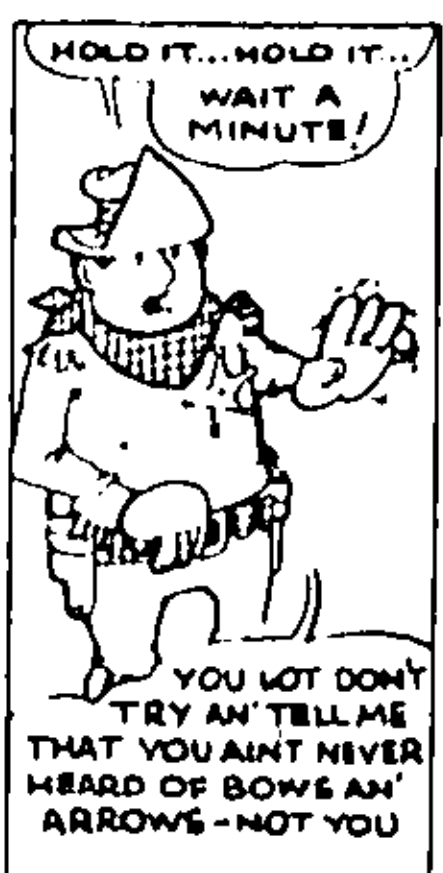
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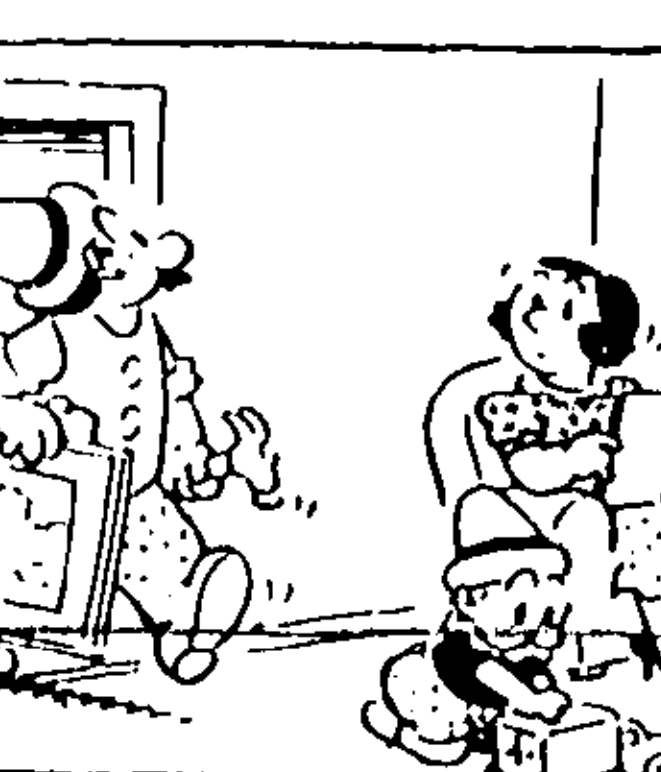
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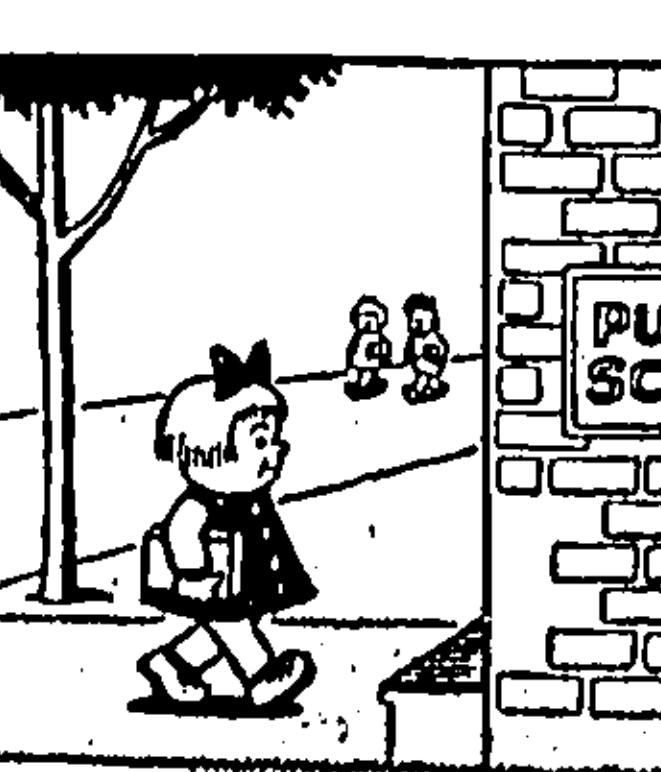


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FLYING A JETLINER —ON THE GROUND

TUCKED away in a quiet corner of Boac's London Airport base is one of the most up to the minute "acropplanes" in the world—and yet it never leaves the ground. All the same, its daily "flights" are a vital part of the task of training the men who fly Boac's fleet of Comet 4 jetliners.

The "acropplane" is the Corporation's new Comet 4 simulator—an amazing electronic training device which enables the crew to practice on the ground all the hundreds of skilled tasks which they have to perform on every flight in a Comet 4.

The simulator looks exactly like the nose of a Comet 4, while inside it is a perfect reproduction of the flight deck of the airliner, complete with all the secrets of instruments and controls which a modern airliner needs.

REALISM

Seated at the controls of the simulator, the Comet pilot can "fly" it with uncanny realism. In his ears is the quiet note of the four jet engines. As he moves the control column, the nose of the device rises or falls, and the altimeter will recall the change of height. As he alters the throttles, the air speed shown on the indicator in front of him will show the change of speed, the sound of the engines will change, and the engine instruments will record the change in "power." So realistic is the device that pilots admit that, after a time, it is hard to realise they are not in fact flying eight miles up, but a few feet from the

Threat Of Blow-Up At Shipping Meeting

Washington, June 9. **BRITISH** Transport Minister Harold Watkinson threatened today to return of once to London unless the United States showed what he considered a more reasonable attitude at the International Shipping Conference, according to informed sources.

The sources said Watkinson took this tough stand as the result of a declaration made by U.S. Maritime Administrator Clarence D. Morse at this morning's session of the conference.

They said Watkinson was upset by Morse's declaration that the United States did not intend to modify its shipping policies and certainly would not do so on any discrimination (government generated cargoes) which was the subject under discussion.

The sources said Morse clearly implied there was nothing more to discuss about the U.S. attitude on cargo preferences.

They said Watkinson recalled he was a busy cabinet minister and had not come here to listen to such an unco-operative attitude—UPI.



The Comet 4 simulator is shown in operation with more details.

London Continues To Go Great Guns

London, June 9.

London Stock Exchange continues to go great guns, with much sound investment buying and some unsound and rather comical gambling. A technical correction is highly desirable but will not necessarily come.

On the one hand, the antics in such things as Greek bonds and some property shares could make the whole market vulnerable. On the other hand, everybody now knows that there has been a correction in the abnormal supply-demand equation as between equities and bonds.

When there has been so much ignorant speculation and such one-way markets, a shake-out is always possible, say on the election announcement or some international shock or next quarter's downturn in the U.S. steel, auto, oil and rubber industries. But there is a lot on the other side.

Downturns

As those U.S. downturns have been so well advertised, they may be discounted. Europe's industry—about which the OECD is cock-a-hoop—could well take up the running; the soft spots in Belgium and Scandinavia merely serve to highlight the glowing prospects in Germany, Holland, Italy and Britain.

The investment revolution is real and rests on far more than inflationary psychology. As it has gone so much slower in London than in overseas markets, it could go further in London before it has a setback elsewhere.

On international earnings and dividend yield comparisons London even after its recent advance, is still the half-price market. The comparison between S&P's 4.8 per cent and Royal Dutch's 2.8 per cent relates to two parts of the same business, and if anything it may understate the general earnings relationship, both because Shell does stand higher than it did not happen to be one of the only two U.K. stocks listed on Wall Street and because U.K. companies as a whole still distribute their earnings more conservatively than companies in the U.S. and most other countries.

Redressed

If London's undervaluation derives from the uncertainties of sterling and of British politics, there is a constant possibility that it may be violently redressed, because one aspect of these uncertainties has turned bullish and as a whole they have been exaggerated.

Many U.K. companies are now adjusting their dividend policies to the possibilities of dividend limitation and nationalisation, however remote those possibilities may be. Sterling is underpinned by the overvaluation of the dollar, which is so intensely difficult to correct.

Above all, there are mounting possibilities of the Conservatives winning the election with a comfortable and quite likely increased majority. If this becomes a dominant market factor, either by expectation or by the election result, steel and other U.K. industries capable of jumping 50 per cent or more in short order.

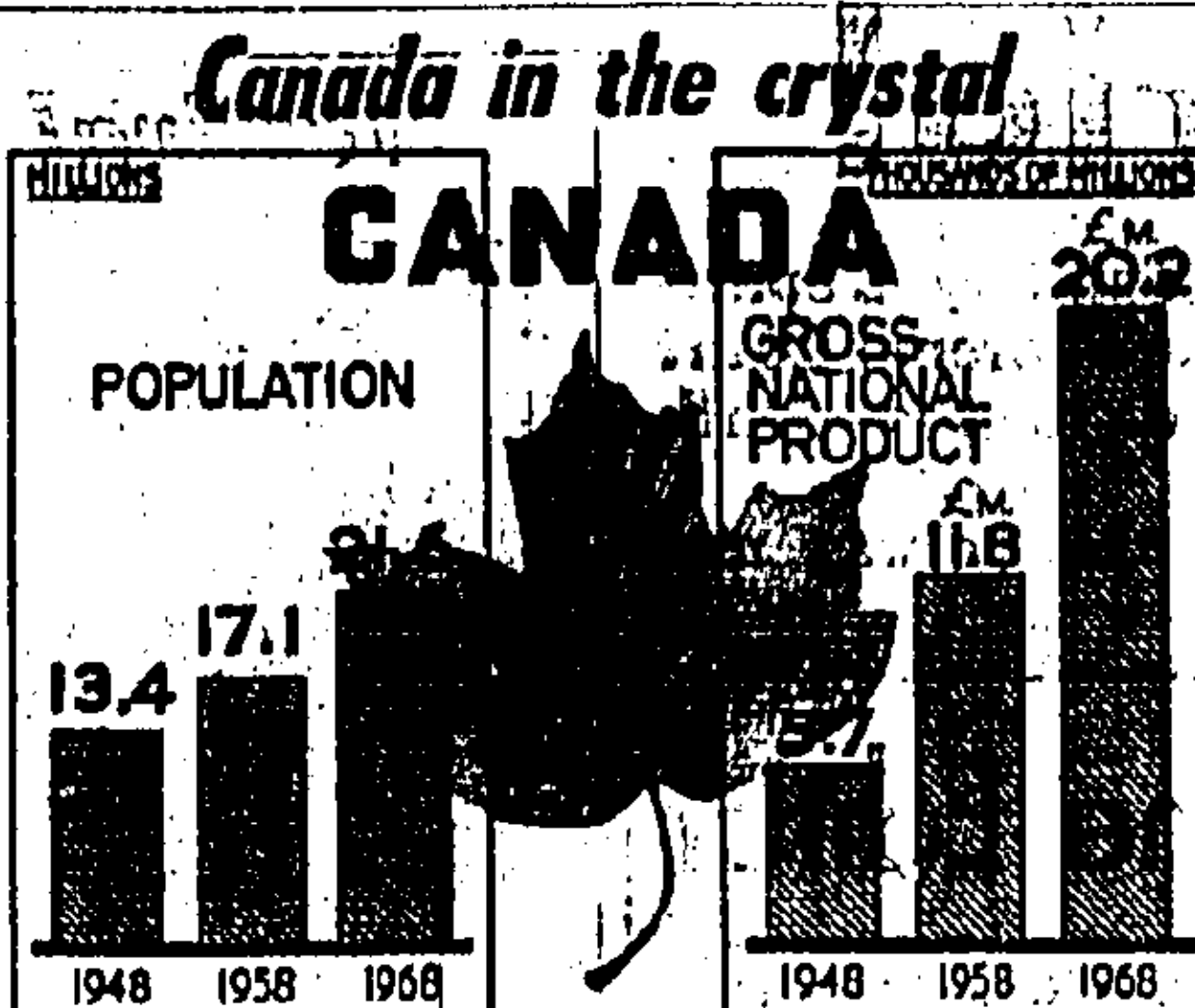
The threat to the Conservatives from Liberal intervention seems to have been hysterically exaggerated. Notions that Liberal vote-splitting will rob the Conservatives of a decisive number of seats rank with the fears that Suez was going to bring a fuel famine and millions of unemployed.

Intervention

Indeed, just as Suez in fact brought an oil glut, there is a real possibility that the effect of the Liberal intervention will be the reverse of what is commonly expected. There are some signs that the Conservatives may fare relatively better in the places where there is Liberal vote-splitting than where there is not.

The Liberals do draw more of their votes from the Conservatives than from Labour, but not by any margin that is likely to be significant, and those Conservatives who regard the vote-splitting as unfair tend to rally round the candidate where they otherwise might not.

Though the pendulum is wholly in Labour's favour, the social and secular trends in favour of the Conservatives make them rather strong favourites to score the unprecedented hat-trick, which is likely to be a landslide majority which would mean that the pendulum had moved in the same direction since 1945, and that an "unstable" event, which might have been the end of the Conservative era, had been averted. The Conservative era would be recognised, when it occurs—China Mail Special.



Canada is attracting more investment from Britain. The demand for solid shares with a substantial stake in the country's future development. As this chart shows the growth potential is great. These figures "crystal gaze" 10 years ahead and point to the increase in population and the wealth that will be generated.

LONDON CLOSES ON DOWNSIDE

London, June 9.

The stock market closed on the downside today despite a late rally.

Bargain hunting investors tended to offset the renewed bout of profit-taking as a result of the fresh weakness on Wall Street.

Gilt-edged securities were mostly unchanged.

Industrials

Industrials finished mostly lower with American favourites suffering the bigger losses. Main exception to the trend was newspaper shares which closed higher.

Gold stocks rallied to close mixed. Coppers were mostly easier and other base metals dull.

Closing Prices

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HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Our Own Correspondent

Business done on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange today amounted to approximately \$280,000. Most quotations and the morning's transactions:

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Drip-Dry Cause Fall

Manchester, June 9.

The Empire Cotton Growing Corporation today blamed drip-dry shirts as a contributory cause in the fall of cotton lint prices.

The Corporation's report, presented at the annual meeting here, said that last year the price of cotton lint fell steadily and differentials between short, long and extra-long staples diminished progressively.

It said this was partly due to the price support given by the United States Government to American-type cotton and partly to the introduction of the drip-dry shirt—Reuters.

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YESTERDAY'S CLOSING COMMODITY PRICES

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Aluminiums Rule Strong In New York

New York, June 9.

Aluminium issues ruled strong in a lower stock market today.

That group showed gains ranging to 3 1/2 points in Reynolds Metals in a late comeback from the lows of the day, some issues managed to close higher along with the aluminium group but a majority lost ground.

Small closing gains were noted in Allied Chemical, Chrysler, International Harvester, Sears Roebuck, Texaco, United Aircraft, and U.S. Steel. Ralls also recovered part of early declines.

At the close, Procter & Gamble was down 3 1/2, General Foods, two, and Goodyear and General Electric 1 1/2 each. Rail losses ranged to 1 1/2 points in Norfolk & Western.

Major Groups

All the major groups finished lower. Industrials were more than two points above their low for the day. Utilities with a decline of 1 1/2 per cent were the widest losers.

Today's volume was 3,490,000 shares. Of a total 1,224 issues traded, 397 were higher and 723 lower. American Exchange volume was 1,470,000 shares. Bonds volume amounted to \$6,000,000.

Dow-Jones closing averages

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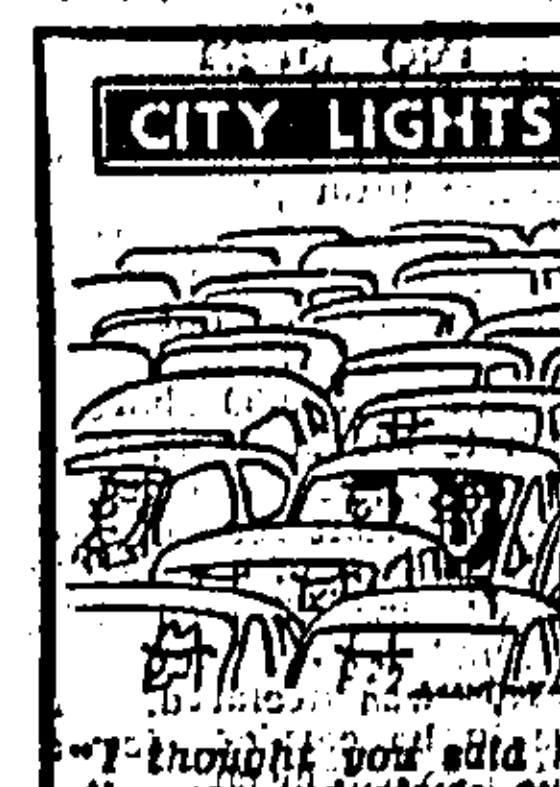
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Govt Should Fight Side By Side With Industry

Local government and financial circles should fight side by side with Hongkong industries in overcoming hardships which handicapped trading, said Mr. Teh Chi-khun, Chairman of the Amoy Canning Corporation (Hongkong) Ltd. at the annual meeting this morning.

Mr. Teh said it was to be expected that extremely keen competition in business would continue in future, with manufacturing techniques progressing all the time. "It is imperative to have sound research knowledge on the manufacturing side, to train good technical personnel and to improve techniques and up-keep of modern equipment."

Local industries were being confronted with increasing difficulties such as more rigid import restrictions imposed by various governments, Mr. Teh said.

"We are still living in a divided world, with waves of political storm sweeping over certain regions now and then. Trading difficulties may be tougher in the days to come."

No Sign

"Luckily, we have passed a trying year, but there is no sign of a better future."

At the meeting, the shareholders approved a resolution capitalising \$500,000 out of the general reserve fund by the issue of 50,000 shares of \$10 each to shareholders in the proportion of one for eight.

The net profit for the year ended December 31, was \$2,274,715. A final dividend of \$1 a share, making a total of \$2 for the year, was declared. The balance to be carried forward amounted to \$6,702,904.

Survey

Mr. Wong Tok-sau, Managing Director, who has just returned from a business trip abroad, gave a report on his survey of the markets abroad.

He said that the booming trade of Chinese restaurants in America and the United Kingdom had played an important part in introducing Hongkong food products to the public in those territories. He also reported on the company's subsidiary firms in Malaysia.

A new Director, Mr. Yu Kim-teng, was elected at the meeting. Messrs U Tat-chee and Yu Chi-hui were re-elected Hon. Directors. Messrs Charles Mar Fan and Co. were re-appointed auditors.

Accused Breaks Down In Murder Trial

A man accused of the chopper murder of a Sanitary Department scavenger broke down and wept in the Supreme Court today while telling of a quarrel which led to the death of the scavenger.

The man, Lam Kwong, 37, earth coolie, said earlier that he was nicknamed "Sor Lo" (crazy one).

Lam has pleaded not guilty to murdering Ng Hung, on December 18 at Fukien Hill Street Village, Hongkong. The Crown alleges he killed Ng by chopping him on the neck.

His Nickname

Lam told Mr. Justice J. R. Gregg today that he had got the nickname Sor Lo because after having a few drinks he would play marbles with school-children.

He said he had been friends with Ng and had lent him money. At the time of his death, Ng owed him \$10.

Lam said that on December 18 he had lent Ng \$5.

Lam said he had gone to bed at about 1 p.m. and at 4.15 he had been awakened by Ng.

Ng said to him: "Can you lend me \$2 more?"

He had replied: "When you asked me for the \$5 loan I told you not to gamble any more."

Slapped

Lam said: "Ng did not say anything, but slapped me on the side of the cheek."

Lam then broke down and started crying.

The defence counsel, Mr. Richard Winter, asked Mr. Justice Gregg to allow Lam to demonstrate what occurred then.

Tried To Snatch

"Ng grabbed a vegetable chopper from the top of the cupboard. I tried to snatch it out of his grasp, and we struggled for possession."

Lam said the two had pulled the chopper backwards and forwards.

"He pulled back and I saw blood flowing from his neck. He ran away."

"I was holding the chopper in my hand and I saw bloodstains on the blade."

Sobbed Again

Lam burst out sobbing again as he denied that he had any intention of murdering or inflicting physical harm on Ng.

The hearing is unfinished.

Mr. D. Ren, Crown Counsel, is prosecuting, assisted by Mr. D. G. Willis.

Letters To The Editor

Nobody's Lackey

Sir,—Monday's Comment touches upon matters in the sphere of Anglo-American relations which have long called for an airing, and it may well be asked what our big-hearted, thick-headed British politicians are going to do about a "quid pro quo" policy to match that of our trans-Atlantic cousins.

Ever since Roosevelt's 50 over-age destroyers deal ("We want leases in the British Caribbean Islands"), cash-and-carry and lend-lease ("Hand over all your U.S. investments") we have had the gun put to our heads. And what have we done? We have given the United States all our "know-how"—radar, atomic fission, angle deck, launching catapult, etc., even penicillin—free, gratis and for nothing. When are our politicians (we obviously have no statecraft) going to waken up to the fact that we have been getting the dirty end of every deal for years?

And now, on the front page of Monday's issue, there is a news report which states that "the British Government has barred itself from providing nuclear weapons for Commonwealth countries as a result of the new atomic deal with the United States." This "prohibition" has been agreed "to satisfy the requirements of the United States Congress." Presumably this is Australia's "reward" for allowing Britain the use of the Western Rocket Range, and Canada's for permitting the setting up of the Early Warning System on Canadian territory. Britain, of course, can expect no reward for having agreed to the setting up of American Rocket Bases in England since Mr. Khrushchev has already warned that he will be compelled (reluctantly) to blot them out—and the British population with them—since they form America's first line of defence and must be Russia's first objective.

Let Macmillan take note of General de Gaulle's ultimatum: "Unless the U.S. and Britain share atomic secrets with France, they must remove all Nato fighter-bombers from French soil." There speaks a man—and a man who is not prepared to enter into one-sided agreements.

We may next expect to learn that Macmillan is flying to Washington to "report" like a dutiful little schoolboy to Headmaster Eisenhower—and to give him all available information on Britain's revolutionary Hovercraft—as usual, for nothing. Has he forgotten that he is Premier of Great Britain and not anybody's lackey?

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Sex And Morality

Sir,—In the Noon Edition of yesterday the 8th June, you published a statement attributed to Mr. Billy Graham that there is an over-emphasis on sex which is one of the greatest dangers faced by the Western world. All responsible people must heartily agree with this statement, as it seems that today SEX is the be-all and end-all of existence, the Alpha and Omega of life, as there is hardly a day when some disagreeable reference to sex is not made either in the press or in some other reputable form of publication.

To be a successful novelist, or to have a motion picture break all box-office records, all one has to do is to offer the most repulsive form of sexual debauchery to ensure a complete success. Under the guise of "art", gutter-snipe yellow press dish out nude females to attract customers. Young children are encouraged to read filthy books dealing with the worst form of sex that not even animal behaviourism could match in ugliness. Banners

Festival Dumplings



The rice dumplings hanging from the ceiling of a Chinese shop near Central Market this morning. — China Mail Photo.

DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL: HOW IT BEGAN

By A CHINA MAIL REPORTER

Today is the Dragon Boat Festival when the Chinese relive a memory that is 2,237 years old by holding dragon boat races and eating rice dumplings.

It is all in homage to the immortal spirit of a patriotic poet and statesman, Chu Yuan, (340 B.C.-278 B.C.) during the period of Warring States in Chinese history, when seven feudal states struggled for supremacy.

An Alliance

Among them, the most powerful was the State of Chu, followed by two other states, Tso and Chi, the rest being negligible.

Chu Yuan, born of the royal family in Tso, advocated "alliance of all the six states against Chu" in direct contradiction to Chu's policy "divide and conquer."

Jealous of Chu Yuan's ability, envious of his nobility, and afraid of his power, the peers in the court of Tso favoured appeasement, too.

Drowned

In 278 B.C., 62-year-old Chu Yuan, in exile for 20 years, learned that Chu had launched a general offensive on Tso, capturing the latter's capital.

On the fifth day of the fifth moon that year, the poet drowned himself in the River Mi Lo in what is now Hunan Province.

Countrymen raced in boats to rescue him as far as the Tung-tin Lake but in vain, thus setting the precedent for the dragon boat races.

Failing to find his body, the mourning countrymen scattered rice in the water as sacrifice for the poet's spirit.

The spirit, according to legend, once told the people that the rice was all washed up by the dragons and advised them to wrap it in leaves and tie it up with five-colored silken threads for those were what the dragons feared.

Hence the rice dumplings. However, there was no way to trace when people started to put rice dumplings into their mouths instead of the river.

Wai Yuan in Cantonese.

HUNG HOM RACES

More than 5,000 spectators lined the waterfront of Tsim Sha Tsui, Hung Hom, this morning, to watch the dragon boat races.

Four full-length and full-dressed dragon boats, each manned by a crew of 40 strong, took part.

They represented Luen Shun Tong and Yu Yip Tong of Shaukiwan, Luen Yip Tong of Wanhsai and Hop Yee Tong of Chaiwanling.

The programme included races over 100 yards, 200 yards, 300 yards and 500 yards.

Dr. D. J. M. Mackenzie, Director of Medical and Health Services, presented banners to all teams of oarsmen at the end of the performance.

He was in turn presented with a symbolic of an ivory dragon boat by the Chairman of the Hung Hom Kaitung Committee, Mr. W. H. Shing-shien, before a number of guests in the fully decorated swimming pavilion.

Five Hurt In Traffic Accidents

A boy, two girls and two men were injured in traffic accidents in Kowloon yesterday. They were admitted to Kowloon Hospital for treatment.

The accidents occurred at the following places:

- At the intersection of ...
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Fishing Junk Robbery: 3 Charged

Three men came before Kowloon District Court this morning accused of robbing the occupants of a fishing junk which had come to Hongkong from China last July.

The three accused jointly faced two charges of robbery with aggravation, and three other counts of assault occasioning bodily harm, when they appeared before Judge H. H. B. How.

The three men are, Chan Hung, 28, Leung Tung-yau, 39, and Cheung Yee-ting, 38. The last accused was represented by Mr. Hin-shing Lo, instructed by Mr. J. M. Remedios of Messrs D'Almada Remedios and Co.

Chief Insp. T. W. Wheeler said that the fishing junk was moored in a bay in Tsau Wan on the night of September 5-6 last year.

Left Behind

Cheung Bing-lung, the junk-owner ordered a sampan and went fishing with his children, leaving behind his aged father, wife and concubine, and some infants.

Sometime during the night, two men boarded this fishing vessel and robbed the two women of \$500 and valuables.

In the course of the robbery, the two women and the old man with wife, causing abrasions and cuts on their wrists and necks. The robbers also gagged them with oranges.

The prosecution alleged that while the two men were on board the junk, rubbing the occupants, one was manning a sampan that had come alongside the vessel.

Pawn Ticket

Six months after the robbery, the three men were arrested in different parts of the Colony, on April 15, this year. The second accused was found to have a pawn ticket relating to some of the articles lost in the robbery. But not one of the victims of the robbery could identify any of the accused as the men who had boarded the junk that night.

The case is continuing.

Round Table Talk

Mr. Ron Bleker, manager and cameraman of Athos Film Productions, who has been employed by the Hongkong Tourist Association to produce a film on Hongkong, gave a talk last night to members of the Hongkong Round Table at the R.H.K.D. Officers Mess.

During the talk he showed a film called "Jes Circle", the story of Bone's Britannia flag, an original round-the-world flight.

6 Months' Gaoi

A 15-year-old unemployed man, Chiu Shing-yu, 44 Stone Nullah Lane, second floor, charged with indecently assaulting a 12-year-old girl was sentenced to six months' imprisonment by Mr. T. Yang at Central Magistracy this morning.

From the Files 25 years AGO

AFTER practising as a solicitor in Hongkong for almost eight years, Mr. Horace Lo, brother of Messrs M. K. and M. W. Lo, and a partner of the well-known legal firm of Messrs Lo and Lo, has decided to give up law.

He will be leaving the firm at the end of the month to throw in his lot with the Merchant Bank of India, by whom he has been appointed Chinese manager.

Mr. Lo has had a wide practice since his admission to the local bar in October, 1920.

It is my instinct: I don't like his face

"It is my instinct: I don't like his face," said Chan Wing at the Criminal Sessions this morning when he objected to the presence on the jury of Mr. C. de V. Ribeiro.

The man was accused of stealing two pairs of flannels and a fur coat valued at \$85. Mrs. W. Gardner of Harbour View boarding house gave evidence against the man.

It was disclosed that his criminal record reached back to 1905—he said he was 38—and he had 32 previous convictions for theft and burglary. He was sentenced to five years' hard labour.

ATTENDANCE AT A Government, Grant and Private Schools and the Technical Institute in Hongkong has increased considerably in 1958, according to statistics contained in the annual report of the Director of Education, released yesterday.

According to the report, attendance at Vernacular Schools has increased from 45,456 in 1957 to 54,880 in 1958, whilst attendance at English schools has increased from 17,601 to 18,037 in the same period. [Total attendance at schools in Hongkong in 1958 was almost 420,000.]

After 12 months, the site preparation of the new gaoi at Stanley Peninsula for the accommodation of 1,000 prisoners, is now nearing completion and by the end of the year, work on the construction of the buildings will be put in hand.



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